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# The World of Barbarities

## The Story So Far

This story happened a long time ago in a far away land. Our setting is a small country surrounded by mountains, called Lorraine. A threatening letter is sent to the pride of Lorraine, Lord Judiciary Montague, and in response Viscount Adam comes from neighbouring Xehana to act as a bodyguard. One night, a mysterious young man called Joel steals Adam's heart... But it turns out Joel is secretly Lord Judiciary Montague himself. Adam's love seems impossible, but his straightforward affection closes the distance between them both. Then Simon, the uncle of Lorraine's young king, comes back into the picture and frames Joel for a crime. Adam takes Joel's place to save his life, but then...!?

## Introducing the Main Characters

### Joel Letreux

Montague Joel Letreux, Lord Judiciary Montague, Head of the Justice Department's nephew...is his disguise, the truth is he himself is Lord Judiciary Montague. He is a Lord that took up the judge's robes under orders from the previous, deceased, King. He is a serious man who accepted his position in order to support the people and acts as an adviser to the young King. He respects the law and is an atheist. Straight-laced and indifferent towards love.

### Viscount Adam Canning

Adam Eric Canning, of Xehana. An illegitimate child. Came to Lorraine to act as Lord Judiciary Montague's bodyguard. Has familial ties to Lorraine's Queen Mother. When he was young his mother remarried and so he was passed to Baron Auber of Old Xehana for adoption. As a parting gift his mother bestowed on Adam a peerage.

A large country feared by its neighbours for its greed and constant desire for more power.

Tance

Lorraine

A small, vitally situated country surrounded by powerhouses.

The Church of the Goddess has not yet taken root here and is conflicting with the country's other religions.

### Paul

Adam's valet. The straight man to Adam's fool, he understands and supports Adam more than anyone else.

### Queen Mother Eleanor

Christopher's mother. Formerly from Old Xehana. A distant relation of Adam.

### Luka

A young Prince, son of the current King of Tance. Currently in Lorraine for his health. There's a large age gap between he and Louis, so Louis dotes on him.

### His Majesty, Christopher

The young King of Lorraine. Nicknamed Chris.

### Simon

The uncle of Lorraine's young king. He was chased out of the country for his actions against the previous king, but has come back to carry out his ambitions.

### Louis (Prince Fredaux)

Royalty of the neighbouring Tance, on a pleasure cruise around the land. Currently staying in Lorraine to observe it. The future King of a large country, he's an eccentric man.

### Gil

Former slave. Louis has engaged him as his faithful servant. When Louis gets drunk, he and Gil have relations.

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...
Mn...
I FEEL HORRIBLE.
HE PUNCHED ME RIGHT IN THE PIT OF MY STOMACH...
FRANK, WATER...
!
YOU'RE AWAKE.

WHAT HAPPENED TO ADAM?
WE'VE NOT SEEN HIM SINCE...
...
...
I SEE.
Sigh...
THEY MOST LIKELY CAUGHT HIM.
WHY DID HE HAVE TO BE SUCH A FOOL, TRYING TO SAVE ME LIKE THAT?
...!

I'LL CALL HIM NOW!
IT'S MY TURN TO MOUNT A RESCUE FOR ADAM.
IS LIZT NEARBY?
I'M SORRY. IT WAS THE PERFECT CHANCE TO TEST ONE OF MY OWN LAWS, SO I GOT CARRIED AWAY.
I DIDN'T MEAN TO DEMEAN YOUR MASTER, PAUL. I APOLOGISE.

YOUR ROLE WILL LIKELY BE THE MOST VITAL. WILL YOU DO IT?
RATTLE
HEH!?
MARTHA, CAN I ASK YOU TO HELP ME?

I SEE I'M SURROUNDED BY GOOD PEOPLE.
OH, NO..!
THANK YOU. I OWE YOU FOR THIS.
OF COURSE, LORD MONTAGUE! I'D DO ANYTHING, IF YOU THINK IT WOULD HELP!
...!?

I'D LIKE YOU TO HELP ME PROTECT EVERYONE.

LIONEL'S MEN IMMEDIATELY TOOK THE BOY AWAY.

IT WON'T BE EASY TO GET THE CHILD'S TESTIMONY.

IF WE TRY TO CONTACT HIM, WE'LL ONLY BE PUTTING HIS LIFE IN DANGER.

THEY'LL LIKELY TRY TO SILENCE HIM.

THE BOY FROM THE TOMB IS LIKELY FINE

WE'D GATHERED INFORMATION AND WORKED OUT A PLAN.
I'LL JUST NEED TO BORROW CAPTAIN LIZT'S MEN.
I DON'T MIND, BUT STOP CALLING ME THAT. I'M NOT A CAPTAIN ANY MORE.

THAT'S ONE OF OUR OPTIONS GONE.
HE COULD HAVE BEEN A POSSIBLE LEAD TO LUKA'S LOCATION, TOO.
UM... I MIGHT HAVE AN IDEA ABOUT THAT

DID YOU TWO ALREADY KNOW EACH OTHER?
'CAPTAIN'.?
AH, IT'S JUST SOME OLD HISTORY.
WE KNEW EACH OTHER PRE-ADAM...
THOUGH IT WAS MORE 'KNEW OF' EACH OTHER.

SIMON'S TAKING TOO BIG OF A RISK, KIDNAPPING THE PRINCE OF TANCE JUST TO TAKE CONTROL OF THIS SMALL COUNTRY.
ALIENATE TANCE AND XEHANA, AND WHO'S LEFT TO ALLY WITH?
IT COULD BE...

I heard Adam had fought at the border of Xehana
D d he meet them there?
XEHANA.

EVEN SO, HE HAS SUPPORT FROM THE DISILLUSIONED YOUTH AND CONSERVATIVE NOBLES.
IF HE PLANS TO REJECT WORSHIP OF THE GODDESS AND CUT TIES WITH XEHANA...
IT'S EXTREME, BUT IT COULD WIN HIM CONTROL OF THE COUNTRY.
IF HE'S ALREADY GOT THE SUPPORT OF TANCE..
THEN LUKA'S KIDNAPPING COULD JUST BE A RUSE.
I DON'T THINK IT IS.
I HAVE RELIABLE INFORMATION THAT SAYS IT'S NOT.
HE'S ALREADY COLLUDED WITH LIONEL ONCE.
ARE YOU SURE YOU'LL BE OKAY?
YES.
I'LL START PUTTING EVERY-THING TOGETHER IMMEDIATELY.

I'LL NEED TO LEAVE THE CAPITAL...

PLEASE TAKE CARE OF THE YOUNG MASTER FOR ME.

I WILL.

HIS RESCUE WILL DEPEND ON HIS CURRENT SITUATION.

I HOPE HE'S NOT IN A BAD SITUATION...

I'm worried

Ugh.

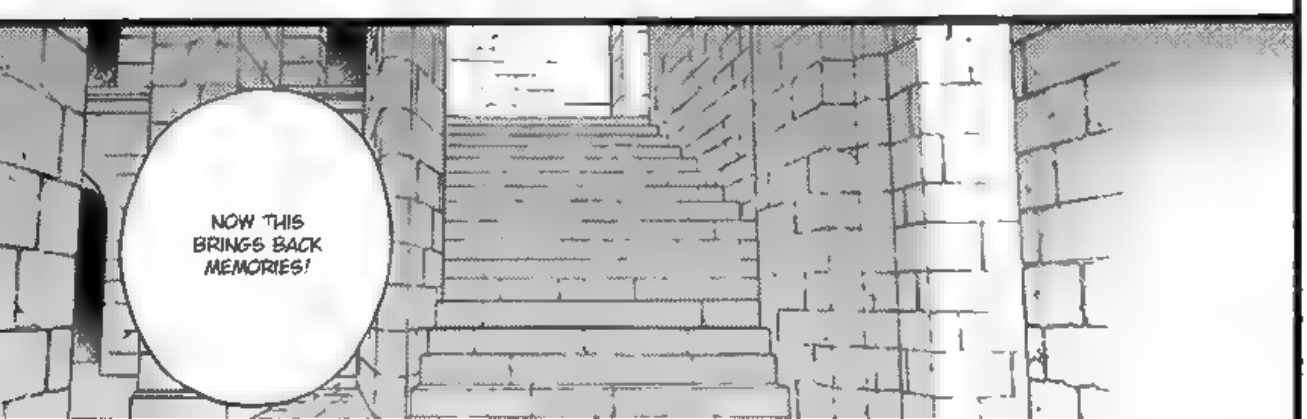
THOUGH WE DON'T EVEN KNOW WHERE HE IS RIGHT NOW

WE'VE HAD A REPORT THAT HE'S ALIVE, BUT THAT'S IT.

THE KING'S...

Ah.

!?
RATTLE
THE KING'S RIBBON IS GONE!
I REMEMBER, I GAVE IT TO HIM...!
WH-WHAT'S WRONG!?
OH NO..
pales
IF THE ENEMY FINDS OUT HE HAS IT...!


NOW THIS BRINGS BACK MEMORIES!

THIS PLACE HASN'T CHANGED AT ALL, GAOLER.
HOW HAS EVERYONE BEEN?
Jingle

HMM... I WONDER?
I REALLY QUESTION YOUR SANITY.
WELL? WHY DID YOU BREAK IN AND SET LORD MONTAGUE FREE?
WHAT ABOUT YOU, LIONEL? WHY DID YOU ARREST HIM?

DON'T TALK TO THE GAOLER.
YOU'RE BEING QUESTIONED!
SORRY. I'M JUST SO COMFORTABLE, YOU SEE.

IT'S A CRIME TO AID AND ABET A SUSPECT.
HE DAMAGED THE ROYAL CRYPT, BLASPHEMED, AND TURNED TRAITOR TO THE CROWN.
WE COULD HAVE GAINED VALUABLE INFORMATION FROM QUESTIONING HIM, ADAM.

UNTIL WE DECIDE WHAT TO DO WITH YOU, YOU'LL BE TELLING ME EVERYTHING YOU KNOW ABOUT HIS CRIMES.
AND I DO MEAN EVERYTHING.
EHHH? WELL NOW, THAT'LL BE DIFFICULT.
AS YOU KNOW, HE HASN'T A SINGLE CRIMINAL BONE IN HIS BODY.
Fu fu fu...
UNLESS YOU'RE GOING TO CHARGE HIM WITH THE CRIME OF STEALING MY HEART...?
I DON'T WANT TO HEAR IT

Sigh..
Clatter
I'LL MAKE THE REPORT UP LATER.
YOUR TESTIMONY IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING.
YOU MAKE A SURPRISINGLY GOOD VILLAIN, LIONEL.
SILENCE! WHAT DO YOU KNOW!?
YOU... JUST WORRY ABOUT YOURSELF.
RATTLE
Shiver
FUFU.
I made the right cho ce, then
FUFUFU, I'M GLAD
THAT'S FUNNY TO YOU!?
MY FRIEND IS ANGRY YOU SCUPPERED HIS PLANS TO TORMENT LORD MONTAGUE.
HE'LL LIKELY TAKE IT OUT ON YOU.
I SEE.

Tug
I THINK...
YOU CAN GUESS FROM THIS WIG AND RIBBON I HAVE HERE...
!?
ALRIGHT, HERE'S MY TESTIMONY.
He doesn't even register the threat
Jingle
THAT YESTERDAY I WAS THE ONE RUNNING AROUND ALL DAY...
PRETENDING TO BE LORD MONTAGUE!

I have the glasses, too.
YOU... DO YOU REALLY THINK THAT'LL FLY WITH ME!?
BESIDES, HOW IS THIS...
IT'S TRUE~! I WOULDN'T LIE TO YOU~!
!?
WHAT!?
ANY DIFFERENT THAN WHAT YOU'RE DOING?
YES.
YOU SHOULD KEEP THAT IN MIND
WHAT ..!?
Your clothes are different and Montague's much smaller!
THIS ISN'T A GAME!
I'M A FOREIGNER WHO CAME ALL THE WAY HERE TO CURRY FAVOUR WITH THE ROYAL FAMILY. SUSPICIOUS, RIGHT?
YOU JUST WANDERED HERE AND FELL IN LOVE WITH MONTAGUE~!

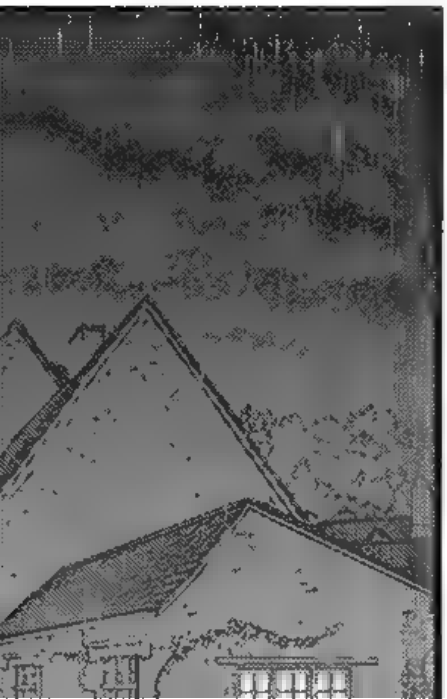
IF IT EVER SEEMS LIKE I'M FORGETTING THESE FEELINGS...

I WILL MAKE IT A RULE TO LOOK YOU IN THE FACE AND REMIND MYSELF.

...

SO YOU'RE SAYING TORTURE WON'T WORK ON YOU?

PRETTY MUCH~!



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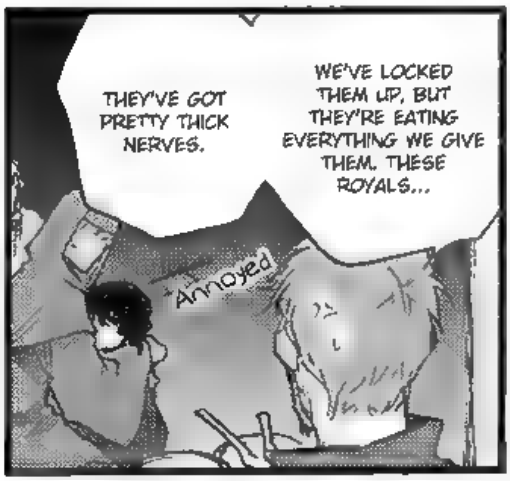

THEY'VE GOT PRETTY THICK NERVES.
WE'VE LOCKED THEM UP, BUT THEY'RE EATING EVERYTHING WE GIVE THEM. THESE ROYALS...
Annoyed

WHAT?
...

You're a filthy liar!
IF WE'D KNOWN THAT CARRIAGE WAS CARRYING TANCE ROYALTY WE WOULDN'T HAVE ATTACKED IT!
...

I-I ALREADY APOLOGISED FOR THAT!
BUT YOU GOT ME STUCK HERE ON STAND-BY!
I CAME HERE BECA-USE I HEARD THERE'D BE A BATTLE ..

IT'S YOUR FAULT I'M STUCK HERE ACTING LIKE A BLASTED SERVANT!
Ahh!?
MAYBE THEY THINK FOOD WILL COME IF THEY JUST WAIT?
RGH!
Grin

YES, PRINCE LUKA.
HANG IN THERE EVERYONE.
DID YOU LISTEN IN ON THEM, LAYLA?

Oof
Argue Argue
THEY'RE STILL FIGHTING
FROM THE SOUND OF IT, THEIR ATTACK ON US WASN'T PLANNED.

AS YOU DIRECTED, I STARTED IMPLYING A POSSIBLE REWARD TO THAT SERVER.
THEY SHOULD START FIGHTING EACH OTHER SOON.
GOOD.
FROM HIS ACTIONS, IT SEEMS TO BE WORKING.

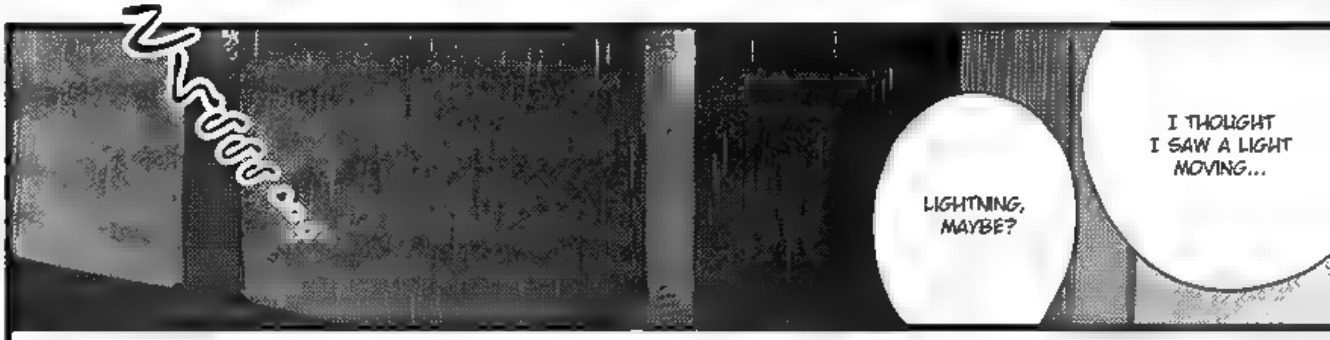
Hehhhhn!
PRINCE LUKA...!
THANK YOU SO MUCH.
I'LL PAY YOU LOTS OF MONEY WHEN WE GET HOME.
Hug
Hehhhhn!
NO NEED!
Prince Louis' lessons are paying off
What skillful manoeuvring.

OH, NO..
YOU'RE FACING THE WORST OF IT ALL, LAYLA.
IT'S TIMES LIKE THESE THAT A WOMAN LIKE ME CAN BE USEFUL.
I just pretend to be a holy woman.

THAT'S WHAT WE'LL WAIT FOR.
MAKE SURE TO EAT ALL YOUR FOOD AND KEEP YOUR STRENGTH UP
I'M NOT ANY HELP, I'M SORRY...
NOT AT ALL!

HM?
WHAT IS IT?
Get walking
So scary.

AHH... HOW TERRIFYING.
YOU'RE GOING TO SERVE OUR DRINKS!
HEY! WOMAN! GET OUT HERE!
SLAM
Turn


Vrrrr...
LIGHTNING, MAYBE?
I THOUGHT I SAW A LIGHT MOVING...

THE KID FROM THE TOMB DIED?

!?
AFTER EVERYTHING, LIONEL?
THIS IS THE ONLY ROAD LEFT OPEN TO ME!

SIMON...
SO WHAT?
I DON'T KNOW WHAT I'M DOING ANYMORE.
IS THAT WHY YOU CALLED ME HERE?

YOU CAN'T QUIT ON ME NOW!
yank
WHEN I WAS BANISHED FROM THE PALACE, YOU WERE THE ONLY ONE WHO GRIEVED FOR ME!
YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WHO UNDERSTANDS THE DIFFICULT DECISIONS I'M HAVING TO MAKE!
I ONLY DID THIS BECAUSE I HAD YOUR SUPPORT...
..

YOU'VE ALWAYS FELT THAT SOMETHING WAS OFF WITH THE CHURCH OF THE GODDESS, HAVEN'T YOU?
.. YEAH.
I PROMISED YOU I'D GIVE THE PEOPLE FREEDOM OF WORSHIP ONCE I'M ON THE THRONE.
TH-THAT'S RIGHT...
THAT'S WHY WE'RE DOING ALL OF THIS.
RIGHT?

WE'LL BE JUST LIKE OUR GRANDFATHERS, LIONEL.

FIGHTING TOGETHER, SIDE BY SIDE.

PLEASE, LIONEL. PLEASE, DON'T ABANDON ME. NOT YOU, TOO.

YEAH.

I'M SORRY. I'M SORRY, SIMON.

I SEE...

SO THAT'S HOW YOU WON OVER SOMEONE AS UPRIGHT AS LIONEL, YOU SCOUNDREL.

HEY.
THIS IS OUR FIRST TIME SPEAKING, ISN'T IT?
!
SO THIS IS MONTAGUE'S CONFIDANT?
HE'S A NOBLE OF XEHANA.
WE CAN'T BE CARELESS IN HOW WE HANDLE HIM.
HMM.
WHY'S HE STILL SO LIVELY?
YOU'RE NOT HURTING HIM ENOUGH.
HOW CRUEL! I'M IN QUITE A LOT OF PAIN.

BAM
...!
BAM
AH...
OWWW!!
DAMN!
Jingle
DAMN!
THUD
...
THUD
Cough
THIS IS ALL MONTAGUE'S FAULT!
WHO CARES ABOUT SOME XEHANAN NOBLE!?
I ACTUALLY HIT HIM! WITH MY BARE FIST!

HAH. .

NOT EVEN A PROPER 'HELLO'.

I KNOW WHO YOU ARE, ADAM CANNING!

UNLESS YOU WANT TO TAKE HIS PLACE, YOU'LL TELL ME ALL OF HIS EVIL DEEDS!

COOPERATE AND I'LL RELEASE YOU!

BECAUSE OF YOU, I MISSED OUT ON MY CHANCE TO TORTURE MONTAGUE!

Grin

YOU PEOPLE KEEP ASKING ME ABOUT THIS. .

BUT I CAN'T THINK OF A SINGLE ILLEGAL THING HE'S EVER DONE.

UNLESS IT'S A CRIME TO BE ADORABLY STUBBORN?

IS NOW REALLY THE TIME!?

HAH?

EVIL DEEDS...?

THAT'S RIGHT. WE'LL BUILD A FOUNDATION...

AND USE YOUR TESTIMONY TO RE-ARREST HIM.

HMM...

POOR THING.
A MAN LIKE YOU...
COULD NEVER HOLD
A CANDLE TO HIM.
IS IT HIS COMPLETE
AMBIVALENCE TO YOU
THAT ANGERS YOU
SO MUCH?

CRACK
YOU!
YOU KNOW NOTHING...!
Grab
NH...
DAMN IT...
I LASHED OUT AGAIN.
I WANT HIM TORTURED FOR THREE DAYS!
Drip

WH..
NO! DO YOU WANT XEHANA TO INVADE US!?
WHAT OF HIS TRIAL? EVEN PUTTING MONTAGUE ASIDE, THIS MAN'S A RELATIVE OF THE QUEEN!
THEN TAKE HIM TO THE CHOPPING BLOCK.
OUR PEOPLE IN THE PRIVY COUNCIL WILL HANDLE IT!
HE WANTS TO TAKE ON MONTAGUE'S SINS, RIGHT?
THAT'S FINE WITH ME!

MAKE IT A SPECTACLE. I WANT MONTAGUE TO HEAR ALL ABOUT IT!
IF WE PUT ON A SHOW, HE MIGHT EVEN SHOW UP
Ahh
No, if they do that
He really will come to save me
'I will use my body as a shield to protect you.'

So you must have the strength and willingness to wield me as such
Does he remember?
Clink
Even if he doesn't, he'll still come
Even knowing it's an obvious trap, he'll still
Come for me
He mustn't
I don't want him to come. So why

Is my heart overflowing with warmth?
I'm about to start sobbing like a child
LIONEL, I...

I WON'T GO TO TRIAL.
IF YOU TRY ME, I WON'T BEG FOR MY LIFE.
I PLEAD GUILTY TO EVERYTHING.
SO PLEASE..
KILL ME HERE AND NOW
It means he can never forgive me
PLEASE..!

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THE RAIN'S TURNED TO SNOW.
LOOKS LIKE IT'LL CONTINUE ALL NIGHT.
HIS MAJESTY IS PLANNING TO ATTEND THE EXECUTION TOMORROW.
MAKE SURE THE FIRES DON'T BURN OUT OVERNIGHT.
WE WOULDN'T WANT CANNING SLIPPING AND FALLING TO HIS DEATH. .
BEFORE HE EVEN GETS TO THE CHOPPING BLOCK!
HA HA HA!
THIS EXECUTION IS TO DRAW OUT MONTAGUE.
HE MUST BE CAUGHT AND EXECUTED, TOO!
HOW DARE HE SNUB THE NOBILITY AND GIVE POSITIONS OF POWER TO THE LOWER CLASS?
NOW HE'LL PAY FOR IT.
THAT COMMONER, GETTING AHEAD OF HIMSELF.
I HEARD VISCOUNT CANNING IS TO BE SENT TO THE BLOCK!
I HEARD HE WAS THE ONE WHO BLEW UP THE PREVIOUS KING'S TOMB.
SO IT WASN'T LORD MONTAGUE?
EXECUTION? THAT WAS FAST.
APPARENTLY HE CONFESSED.
HE CAME TO LORRAINE JUST TO CAUSE TROUBLE.

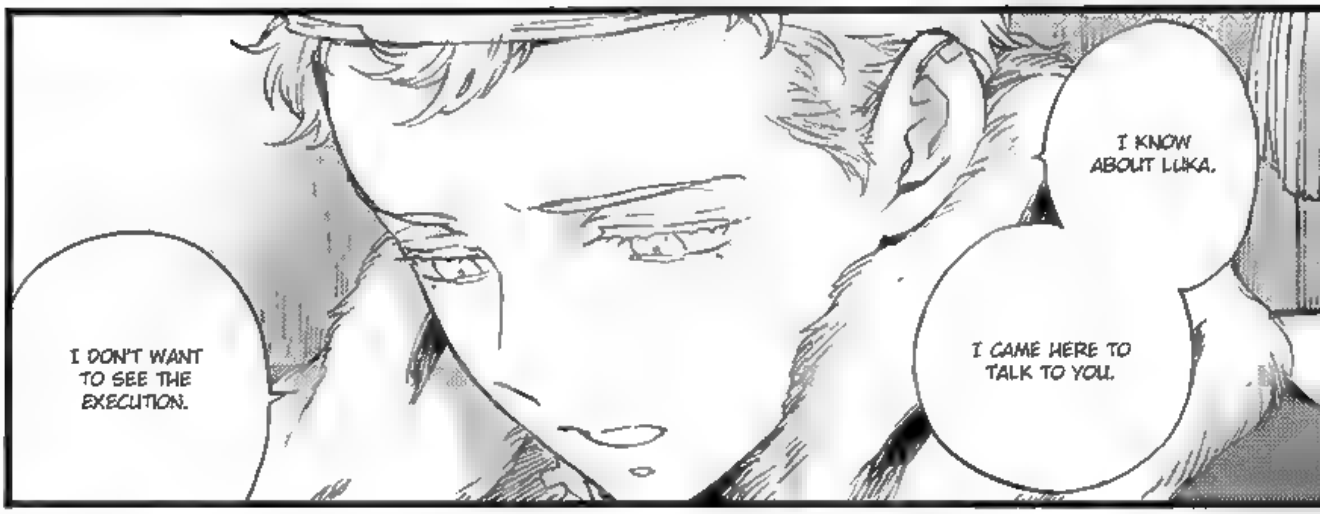
I'LL BE OKAY BY MYSELF, MOTHER.
DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME.
I'LL BE BACK SOON.

OUT YOU COME VISCOUNT CANNING
IT'S TIME
WATCH HIM CAREFULLY. HE'S TRIED TO KILL HIMSELF SEVERAL TIMES
WALK!
WHOOOOO

ROOOOAAAAR
IT'S VISCOUNT CANNING!
HAVE MERCY!
KILL HIM!
GODDESS HAVE MERCY!
HE'S AN ENEMY OF LORRAINE!
KILL HIM!
I'LL PRAY FOR YOU!
OFF WITH HIS HEAD!
GODDESS BE WITH YOU!
JEEER

Finally! I was so tired of waiting.
LOOK, CHRIS.
I WANTED YOU TO SEE THIS.
YOUR MOTHER NEVER LET YOU SEE AN EXECUTION, RIGHT?
...
LET'S ENJOY IT TOGETHER.
THIS DAY WILL GO DOWN IN HISTORY!
SEE HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE ATTENDING?

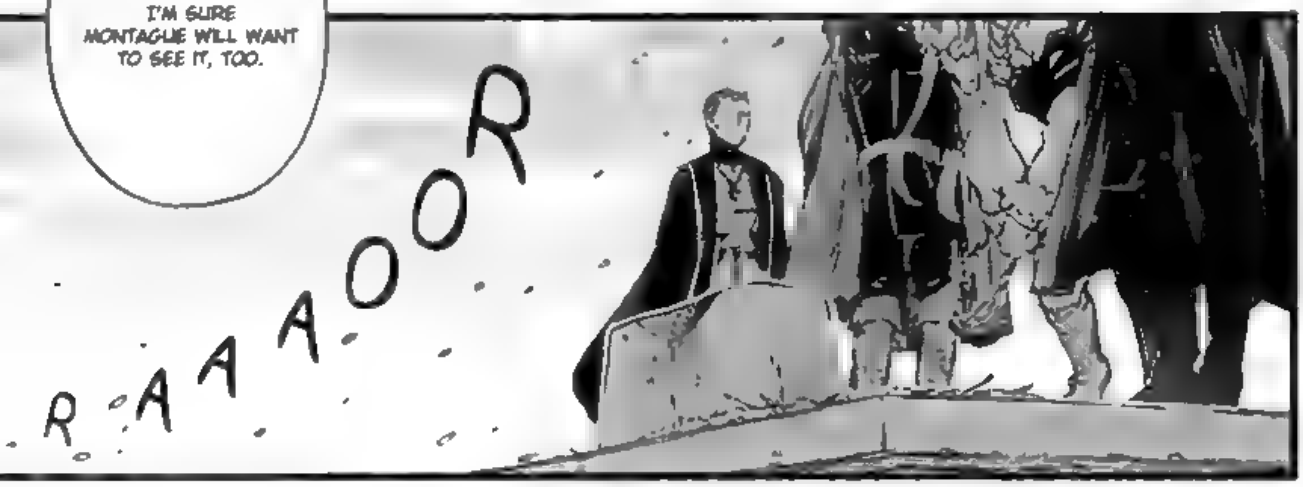
LOOK, OVER THERE YOU CAN SEE MY FRIEND, THE NEXT KING OF TANCE...
I KNOW.


I KNOW ABOUT LUKA.
I CAME HERE TO TALK TO YOU.
I DON'T WANT TO SEE THE EXECUTION.

WHAT? WHO TOLD YOU?
I KNOW THE PEOPLE I ASSIGNED TO YOU WOULD NEVER SAY SUCH THINGS.

...WHAT?

NEVERMIND. WE CAN CLEAR THAT MISUNDERSTANDING UP LATER.
FIRST, WE NEED TO FINISH WATCHING THE SHOW.


I'M SURE MONTAGUE WILL WANT TO SEE IT, TOO.
RAAAOOR

ADAM.
DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO SAY TO THE PEOPLE?
NOW'S YOUR LAST CHANCE.
Pant.

YES, I'LL SEE YOU OFF.
PLEASE, FORGIVE ME...
THAT AXE..
WILL YOU BE THE EXECUTIONER?
OF COURSE.
BLESS YOU FOR SETTING ME TO REST.

I can't see
I hope he hasn't come.
I WILL NOT BEG FOR FORGIVENESS!
IF I AM GUILTY, THEN YOU NEED NOT PRAY FOR ME!
PLEASE, DO NOT GRIEVE FOR ME.
Chapter

Even now, standing here, I am happy!
So I shall go with a smile! Farewell!
CHATTER
ROOA
STOP...
SOMEONE, STOP THIS...!
AARR
Clatter
H-HE'S SMILING.
WHAT A DISTURBED MAN...

AH, AH!
KEEP QUIET NOW, CHRIS.
ROOO
YOU MUSTN'T DISTURB THE SHOW
KEEP WATCHING! IT'S ALMOST OVER!
RRAAA

SHUNK
Wobble

I CAN'T DO THIS...
SIMON...!
TSK.
THAT FOOL...!
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE
Neigh
k y a h h h h
!?
A carriage!
WHAT!?
Creak
Mutter

Chapter 3
LORD MONTAGUE!
IT'S LORD MONTAGUE!
!
LEAN
I KNEW YOU'D COME, MONTAGUE!
CAPTURE HIM!
HE'S THE LEADER OF THE REBELS!

LEAP
HUH?
KA-CLANG
SHINK
...
WHUT?

Clattter
WH-
WHAT...!?
SWIP
UWAHH!
KABAM
ARE YOU ALRIGHT, PRINCE LOUIS?
...!
Gwahh
kyahh

YOU FOOL!
YOU'RE LATE!!
YES.
I DEEPLY APOLOGISE.
Waaaa
Run!
Don't Fall!
Capture him!
Kyah!
ahhh
WE SUCCESS-FULLY RESCUED PRINCE LUKA! HE'S SAFE!
EVERYONE!
YOUNG MASTER!

COVER
WELL DONE, PAUL!
HONESTLY... YOU'RE SO RECKLESS.

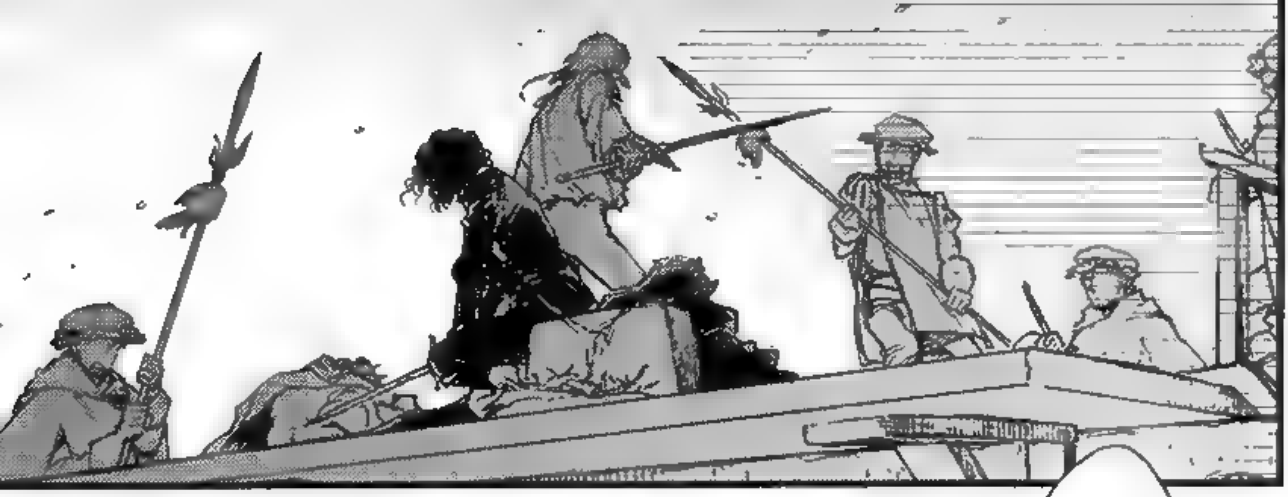
I KNEW YOU'D COME
YOU COULD LOOK HAPPIER ABOUT IT
IT ALMOST MAKES ALL THE EFFORT FEEL WASTED

Thunk
I'M SORRY. I KNOW I JUST GOT HERE, BUT I NEED YOUR HELP.
THUNK
I WAS PLANNING TO HAVE MORE PEOPLE IN PLACE...
BUT YOUR EXECUTION WAS SCHEDULED FASTER THAN I THOUGHT
I ENDED UP RUNNING IN WITHOUT THINKING.
WAAAAHH

I KNOW YOU'RE PROBABLY HURTING A LOT, BUT EVEN HURT AS YOU ARE...
Clink
YOU'RE STILL CONSIDERABLY STRONGER THAN ME.
I NEED YOU TO PROTECT US BOTH, ADAM.
. HA.
SO...

Ahahaha!
You're plenty reckless, yourself!
I'M SO SORRY...
ANGLING FOR ANOTHER SONG, ARE YOU?
AND AFTER I DID MY VERY BEST TO MAKE SURE...
THAT YOU'D HEAR I SMILED AS I WENT, TOO.

THEN THINK ABOUT THE FEELINGS OF THE LISTENER!
I'D RATHER HEAR YOU'D CURSED ME!
FUFU..
MM. SCOLD ME SOME MORE.
WHOOSH
I've begun to value my life!
ALWAYS VALUE YOUR LIFE!
PLINK



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GIL, WHAT THAT MAN SAID...
IS LUKA REALLY SAFE?

I WANTED TO MAKE CONNECTIONS.
WHEN THE GOOD PEOPLE WHO HELPED ME ASKED, THEY CAME RIGHT AWAY.

YES.
AFTER YOU SHOT ME, I WENT TO THEM FOR HELP.

YES, I RETRIEVED HIM MYSELF.
HE'S SAFELY HIDDEN AWAY.
YOU DID?

YES.

THAT SAME MORNING, LORD MONTAGUE WAS ARRESTED...

YOU ASKED THAT GUY UP THERE?

BUT THEY STILL PUT FAITH IN ME AND HELPED ME TO FIND PRINCE LUKA.

THAT'S WHY...

I'D LIKE US TO HELP THEM IN THIS FIGHT, INSTEAD OF TAKING THE CHANCE TO ESCAPE.

ESSENTIALLY, I OWE THEM A GREAT DEBT

...

AND NOW YOU'RE ASKING ME TO PUT MY LIFE IN DANGER!?

YOU PUT ME IN DEBT TO THEM...

YOU MEAN...

YOU'D BETTER MAKE YOURSELF USEFUL!
DON'T YOU DARE BRING SHAME ON ME!
Yank
Ah.
AND YOU'LL BE PAYING FOR THIS LATER!
ROOA AARR
YES, SIR...!
TSK!
WH...
WHAT IS THIS?
WHAT ARE WE EVEN SUPPOSED TO DO HERE?
WHY IS THIS HAPPENING...?

So why is this happening?
I worked so hard.
I chased out the Cardinal, the foreign brigade, and the vigilante corps
I convinced Lionel, I forced Tance to cooperate with me
I softened up the nobles, I bought soldiers and weaponry
What is their goal, here ?
What's going on?
Men calling themselves the vigilante corps are at the gate!
Prince Simon!
They have backup!
LISTEN TO ME, SIMON!

Lean
MONTAGUE...?
AND YOU, PEOPLE OF LORRAINE! LISTEN!
I HAVE RECEIVED A DOCUMENT...
SIGNED BY THE KING OF LORRAINE, PRINCE FREDAUX OF TANCE, THE QUEEN OF XEHANA...
AS WELL AS THE LORDS OF OUR NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES, AGREEING TO AN ENDURING ALLIANCE! IT'S A DECLARATION OF PEACE!

WITH THIS, THE TREASONOUS ACTIONS OF THE NOBLES HAVE BECOME AN ISSUE OF NATIONAL SECURITY!
OUR ALLIES WILL STAND WITH US IN HOLDING THEM ACCOUNTABLE!
BY ORDER OF THE KING, POWER OF PROSECUTION HAS BEEN PASSED TO ME, THE LORD JUDICIARY!
I HAVE THE LETTER CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT HERE!
THIS ORDER..

WAS ISSUED TO ME BY HIS MAJESTY AND THE QUEEN MOTHER IN SECRET, WHILE THEY WERE BEING HELD IMPRISONED IN THE PALACE!
HEAR ME!
ALL OF YOU GATHERED HERE ARE WITNESSES!
THE TRUE LEADER OF THE REBELS IS STANDING OVER THERE ..
Chapter

THE FORMER KING'S YOUNGER BROTHER, PRINCE SIMON!
IF YOU HAVE A DEFENCE, THE COURTS WILL HEAR IT...
WHAT...?
Why does this always happen?
Why is someone always better than me?
Why do I always fail?
Why does someone always ruin my attempts?
Why does nothing ever go right?

Everyone always places you above me. Even my own brother
Why?
Why?
SIMON!
LIONEL..
IT'S OVER.
THERE'S NOWHERE LEFT TO RUN.
SURRENDER TO THEM WITH ME, SIMON.
WE CAN AT LEAST HAVE AN HONOURABLE...
Why do I always lose to you?

Thud
SIMO-
DE-...
DESPITE THIS...
Bleed
THE PROOF .
I..
I...
WHAT SHOULD...
Shudder
I HAVE DONE...?
SIMON...

MAJESTY!
ROOAAARR
KYAHHH

Ahh. Now everyone will see me as the villain
HE...
Behind the sceral emot on of it all, I feel an incredulous kind of humour
WAIT, CHRIS!
LET'S START OVER!
FROM THE BEGINNING...
HELP!
HELP ME, MONTAGUE!
The day was supposed to come when my misfortune would end and I would get my reward

Otherwise this is all just too
MAJESTY ...!
!
GRAB
OH? MONTAGUE...
IS THAT WHAT YOU LOOK LIKE?
PULL
SIMON...!

SHOVE
TO THINK I HAD FORGOTTEN.
...
My word
Just now far

THUD
ADAM
...!

BARBARITIES Ep.29

# Barbarities

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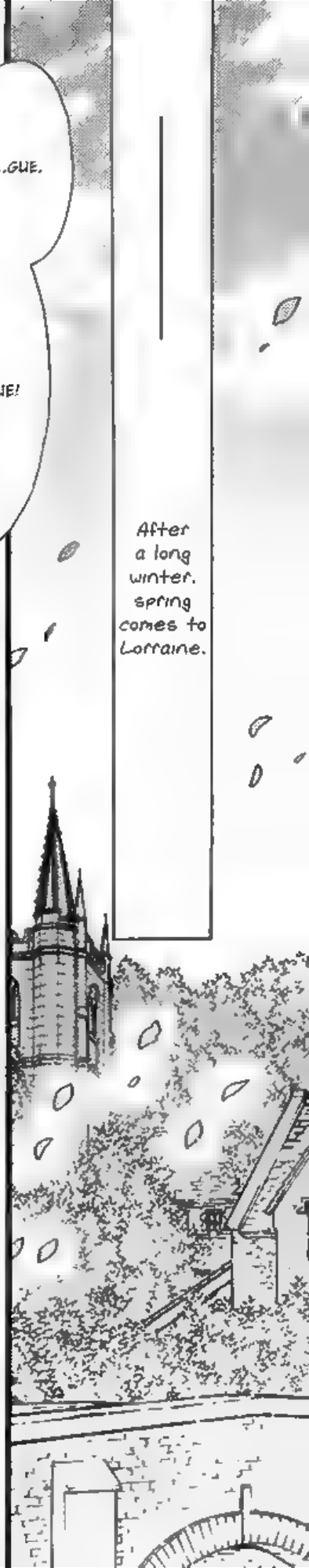
...GUE.
LORD MONTAGUE!

OH, NO.
I JUST WONDERED IF YOU'D LIKE HELP?
SORRY. WHAT IS IT?

NO NEED!
SHALL I TAKE THESE TO THE OFFICE?
YES, PLEASE.
Rattle
...YES.
THANK YOU.


After a long winter, spring comes to Lorraine.

HE'S BEEN STARING INTO SPACE A LOT.
I'M WORRIED. HE'S BEEN WORKING SO MUCH.
TO THINK THAT LORD JOEL WAS ACTUALLY LORD MONTAGUE.
HE DOESN'T WEAR THE WIG MUCH ANYMORE.
...
SEEING HIM ALONE MAKES MY HEART HURT.
Sigh
The country is safe.
After he fell from the parapet in front of so many people...
Simon couldn't be saved.

It was obvious who the King's enemies were then.

After the palace guards lost their captain, Lionel, they put down their arms and came quietly

The nobles in Simon's pocket tried to resist, but they stood no chance...

Against the Cardinal and the additional troops he brought back from Xehana.

Nor the evidence Lionel had left behind for us.

Lionel had taken the young boy found at the royal tomb and hidden him away in a safe place.

The boy stood witness to many of Simon's crimes.

And his testimony confirmed my own suspicions.

MONTAGUE!

MOTHER IS WORRIED IF EVERYTHING IS PRO-GRESS-ING ACC-ORDING-LY!
IT'S ALMOST THE FESTIVAL!
HELLO, LORD MONTAGUE.
AND PRINCE LUKA.
MAJESTY ..

MM... I SEE.
I SEE! I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO IT!
COUGH
YES.
Ugh
UM.. WELL.
MORE OR LESS..

NO, I'VE NOT REALLY PREPARED..
OH?
CLACK

HAVE YOU GOT YOUR GIFTS READY, MONTAGUE?
I HEARD THAT IN XEHANA THEY GIVE THEIR IMPORTANT PEOPLE GIFTS ON THE FESTIVAL!

Jump
NO PRESENTS FOR HIS MAJESTY OR I?
ADAM! NO!!
YOU'RE OUT OF YOUR ROOM AGAIN!
HAHAHA! IT'S OKAY...
THE DOCTOR SAID I CAN DO LIGHT EXERCISE.
...

Ah.
OH.
SORRY, YES.
MONTAGUE?
AWW, DON'T YOU TRUST ME?
MONTAGUE, YOU SHOULD SET A GUARD TO WATCH HIM!

NO, NO.
NO NEED TO WORRY ABOUT ME.
ARE YOU OKAY, MONTAGUE? DO YOU FEEL UNWELL?

It took a while to get used to his long-haired look...
Ehh
He's just running his mouth, but he got it right
REALLY?
THAT'S WHY HE FREEZES UP EVERY TIME HE LOOKS AT MY FACE. ADORABLE, RIGHT?

...?
FUFUFU...
LORD MONTAGUE IS SIMPLY OVERWHELMED BY MY SHORT-HAIRED BEAUTY AND REFLEXIVELY PUTTING HIS GUARD UP.

When Adam slammed into Simon, the recoil sent him over the outer edge of the wall.

The built up snow outside the castle walls...

Limited his injuries to a broken leg.

He really does have the devil's luck..

I'm so glad he didn't die

And yet

Because I failed to grab his hand

I lost him

YOU FOUND ME PRETTY QUICKLY
with messy hair!
YOU LEFT YOUR ROOM AGAIN!
SIR!
Especially with that hair
I should be celebrating...
Instead, it's like I'm seeing a ghost.

PLEASE LOOK AFTER HIM.
Peek
M-MAJESTY!
I HOPE SIR DIDN'T DISTURB YOU.
AS YOUR ATTENDANT, I FAILED TO PROTECT YOU FROM HARM.
I WILL NEVER ALLOW ANOTHER SUCH MISTAKE. .

YOU'RE SUCH A MOTHER HEN LATELY, PAUL.
OF COURSE I AM!

I WAS ONLY STAYING HERE WHILE WE DEALT WITH THE FALL-OUT...
I THOUGHT YOU WERE GOING TO LIVE IN THE PALACE!?
BUT YOU CAN COME AND VISIT WHENEVER YOU LIKE.

MR FRANK REPORTS THAT ALL THE PREPARATIONS ARE READY FOR YOU TO MOVE BACK TO THE ESTATE.
LORD MONTAGUE, I DIDN'T SEE YOU THERE.
Ah.
What am I. a dog...?
EHHH!?

TUG
HM?
I DON'T WANT TO SAY THIS AFTER SUCH DISTURBING MUTTERING, BUT...
ABOUT THAT, SIR.

Shuffle
AND I DIDN'T EVEN GET MY HANDS ON YOU- WHAT A SHAME-
SO WE'LL BE LIVING APART AGAIN.

Whisper
LORD MONTAGUE HAS MADE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOU TO CONTINUE TREATMENT AT HIS HOME...
WHAT. .!?

I DON'T WANT YOU GETTING DUMPED.
SO CLEAN UP PROPERLY!
YOU'RE SO SHARP ON THE UPTAKE, PAUL.
HM?
Glare

IT SEEMS HE WOULD FEEL BETTER HAVING YOU WHERE HE CAN SEE YOU.
JUST TO CONFIRM... WHAT IS YOUR WISH?
DO YOU NEED TO ASK!?
NOT REALLY. EVERYTHING IS READY.

YOU'RE SUDDENLY PUTTING SO MUCH PRESSURE ON MY SHOULDERS...
I'M ALL NERVOUS NOW.
MY FAMILY'S FATE IS INDEED RESTING ON YOUR SHOULDERS.
Bump Bump
I WILL DO ALL I CAN TO HELP YOU PURSUE YOUR LOVE.

FLINCH
GET DUMPED!!
DO. NOT.
SO LISTEN UP!
I'VE ALREADY NOTIFIED MY FAMILY TO START MOVING TO LORRAINE.

THAT'S NO WAY TO SPEAK TO YOUR BOSS, BUT...
I'LL DO MY BEST NOT TO GET MY HEART BROKEN.
SO MAKE SURE YOU SEAL THE DEAL!
I HAVE FAITH IN THAT FACE AND TROUSER SNAKE!!

HE'S GOING TO JOIN THE CERE-MONY!
LUKA'S GOING TO CELEBRATE THE FESTIVAL OF LIGHT WITH ME!
WELL, NOW.

I have a feeling they're talking about nothing good
HEY, HEY, MONTAGUE!

Sigh
SHORT STACKS~!
And now the Cardinal's constantly on edge

BUT BROTHER TOLD THEM WE'D GO BACK WHEN WE WERE DONE WITH OUR HOLIDAY.
WE HAD A LETTER FROM TANCE SAYING TO COME HOME IMMEDIATELY...
HE EVEN BROUGHT SOME SOLDIERS FROM TANCE TO HELP KEEP PEACE AT THE CEREMONY.
WHAT A KIND BROTHER.

I'M GOING TO BE MOVING TO LORD MONTAGUE'S ESTATE WITH HIM...
SO LET'S PLAY LOTS WHILE I'M STILL HERE.
DON'T CALL HIS MAJESTY THAT!
YOU, TOO, ADAM!?

THAT SOUNDS SO NICE!
THERE'S PAUL AND MARTHA.
IT WON'T JUST BE THE TWO OF US.

AH!
THAT'S GREAT, ADAM!
ARE YOU BOTH GOING TO LIVE TOGETHER?
HAHAHA! IT'S REALLY GREAT! HAHAHA!

Glance
I DON'T THINK THE KING IS ALLOWED TO...
I WANT TO LIVE AT MONTAGUE'S ESTATE, TOO!
PLEASE COME AND VISIT, MAJESTY.
wink
...
Eh?
Frown
Honestly

Think how I feel
CREAK
HAHH.
CREAK
CREAK
NGH...
AH...
NH...
CREAK

pant.

WHAT?

ARE YOU STILL IN PAIN?

NH. .? NO, I'M FINE.

Tch.

IT'S DISTRACTING.

IF YOU WANT TO STOP, JUST SAY SO.

NH.

He barely speaks to me, but he insists on fucking every day

MM.

Is it anxiety? Reproach? An apology for shooting me?

Maybe he's just angry that he wants to fuck but can't focus

CREAK

Could be

Kiss

MH.

He insists on th s despite his poor mood

pwah
Maybe he doesn't even know, himself
HF.
PRINCE LOUIS.
HM?
NO, THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT!
SO YOU DO WANT TO STOP AFTER ALL.
JUST SAY SO!
I THOUGHT DOING THIS MADE UNSPOKEN WORDS CLEAR, BUT..
I DON'T SEEM TO BE ABLE TO GET IT ACROSS...
...

I DON'T BLAME YOU FOR SHOOTING ME.

I THINK YOU MADE THE RIGHT DECISION.

...!

I..

IT'S JUST THAT I FEEL THAT I MUST TELL YOU THIS WHILE I'M STILL ABLE TO.

Twitch

Shove

AND NOW I THINK I UNDERSTAND.

NGH!?

PERHAPS YOU WANTED ME TO LIVE...

SO WE COULD KEEP DOING THIS.

...!

PRINCE LOUIS...

CAN YOU FEEL HOW PLEASED I AM?
Slide
NOAH
thrust
NOAH
..HOW DID WE END UP LIKE THIS?
I TOLD YOU THE TRUTH BEFORE

SO NOW .
HAS IT COME TO THIS..?
I WONDER WHAT MY PEOPLE
WOULD THINK OF ME NOW...?
THRUST

Great
NGH.
NGH.
Great
NHW.
Great
NGH.
Great
LIKE SOME TOOL...
Great
YOU...
LIKING YOUR MASTER...
Great
PFF
YOU LOVE IT
Great
KHK!
HAHA. AH.
Great
NH!
Great

RAM
OW!
YOU..
SHOVE
GRAB
WHUMP
GUR!
UGH...
DON'T GET AHEAD OF YOURSELF.
IT'S MY TURN TO USE YOU.
AHAH.

Shove
Hold
Twitch
NH.
MMM...
I WAS...
TRYING TO MISS YOUR TORSO.
Huff
Huff
. I THOUGHT YOU WERE DEAD

YOU STILL MISSED MY HEART.

WERE YOU LONELY WITHOUT ME?

AS IF.

YOU FINALLY TOLD ME HOW YOU FELT.

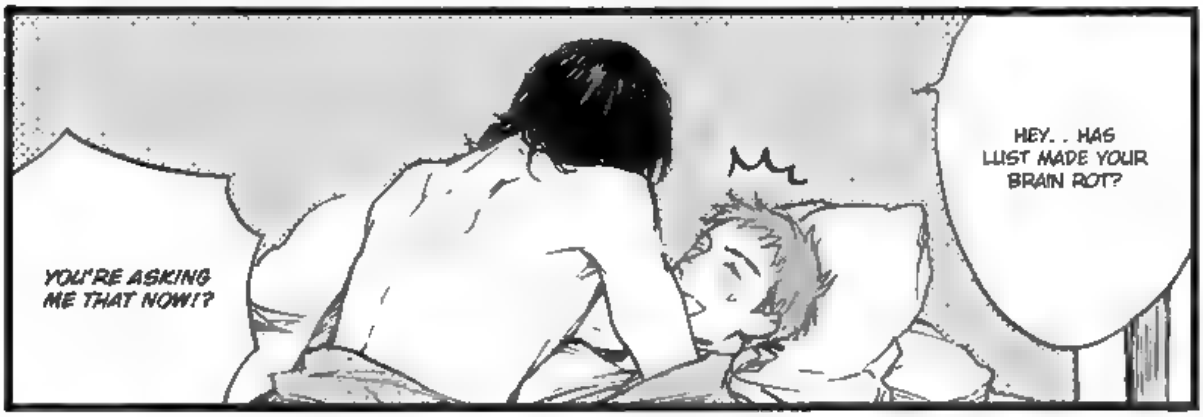
I FELT GREAT.

I SEE...

THAT'S GOOD, THEN.

When I die, my ancestors
will rip me limb from limb...
Kiss

..
?


HEY. . HAS LUST MADE YOUR BRAIN ROT?
YOU'RE ASKING ME THAT NOW!?

The l fe I should have had is long gone.
And I got nothing n return
All I have

Is a distant, unreachable light that I can see from the depths of my hole.
STILL, IT'S A MASTER'S DUTY TO REWARD HIS DOG.

I simply gaze upon it as I float, suffocating, in the dark waters.

I've given up on yearning for it, on desiring it, on trying to possess it.
...THANK YOU.
Passionate man!
I SUPPOSE I SHOULD STOP MESSING AROUND AND FULFIL MY DUTY.

!
I AM ECSTATIC..
PRINCE LOUIS
AGAIN WITH THAT FAKE ACT...

I WONDER WHEN I'LL GET TO HEAR YOU BE HONEST AGAIN.
...
I THOUGHT THE KING GIFTED IT TO HIM?
HAVE YOU NOT GIVEN IT BACK TO TANCE'S PRINCE YET?
OH...
THIS...

LIFT
THIS ONE ISN'T HIS.
LOOK.

THERE'S TWO OF THEM?
IS ONE OF THEM A FAKE?
NO.
BOTH OF THEM ARE REAL.

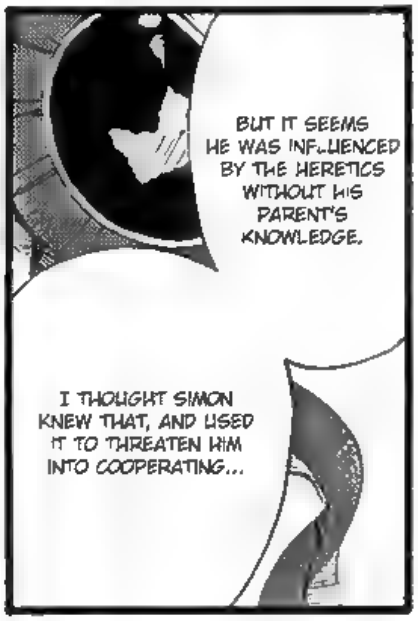
THESE USED TO BELONG TO SIMON AND LIONEL.

I'VE ALREADY RETURNED HIS MAJESTY'S TO PRINCE LUKA.
THIS RIBBON WAS THE PREVIOUS KING'S.

SINCE YOU'RE NEW TO LORRAINE, YOU'RE PROBABLY UNAWARE...
'THE CHURCH OF THE GODDESS'S ORIGINS COME FROM A MALE GOD'...
BUT HERE BOTH HERETICS AND PAGANS ARE LUMPED TOGETHER WITHOUT ANY DISTINCTION.
BECAUSE OF TANCE'S INFLUENCE, MANY IN THIS COUNTRY BELIEVE IN SUCH HERETICAL TEACHINGS.

THE QUEEN
OLD XEHANA...
THE CHURCH RECOMMENDED LIONEL FOR THE ROLE OF CAPTAIN OF THE PALACE GUARD BECAUSE HIS PARENTS WERE BOTH DEVOUT BELIEVERS...
BELIEVES THE HERETICAL TEACHINGS. THE PREVIOUS KING OF LORRAINE HELD TO THE NATIVE POLYTHEISTIC TEACHINGS. THEY'RE NOT FIERCE PROPONENTS OF THE CHURCH OF THE GODDESS.

BUT LOOKING AT THESE RIBBONS, I THINK THE R CONNECTION WAS STRONGER THAN IT SEEMED.
THEY EACH CARRIED ONE IN THEIR BREAST POCKET.


BUT IT SEEMS HE WAS INFLUENCED BY THE HERETICS WITHOUT HIS PARENT'S KNOWLEDGE.
I THOUGHT SIMON KNEW THAT, AND USED IT TO THREATEN HIM INTO COOPERATING...

Lionel passed away the day after his stabbing.
Against his parent's wishes, his body was burned at the stake for his crimes.
THAT'S VERY... TROUBLING.
IT IS.
Simon died from his fall, but...
His crimes were also heavy, and his body suffered the same fate.
Once the flames burned out, his remains were left on display for all to see
His ashes, along with Lionel's, were thrown into the river to be carried far away...
His name will never again appear in any record of Lorraine's history. It will be like he never existed
As further punishment, his name was removed from all records.

The very same river that Simon once dumped the body of a young noble lady into.

After all his sins, he ended up being thrown into the same river she did

THE PREVIOUS KING MADE THIS WITH HIS OWN HANDS.

IT WAS RECOVERED, AS IT'S NOT SOMETHING A CRIMINAL SHOULD CARRY...

BUT WE'VE NO IDEA WHAT TO DO WITH IT.

MONTAGUE SAID THAT IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN BURNT ALONG WITH THE BODIES.

I SEE. SO THAT'S WHY IT'S HERE...

THE QUEEN MOTHER SAID TO PUT IT IN THE TREASURY.

WITH SIMON'S NAME ERASED, IT'S BEEN RECORDED AS PROPERTY OF A NAMELESS ROYAL...

IT WILL BECOME THE ONLY PROOF THOSE TWO EVER EXISTED.

Wah

WELCOME HOME, LORD MONTAGUE! VISCOUNT CANNING!

WE'RE SO GLAD YOU'RE BOTH ALRIGHT!

I DON'T MIND. THANK YOU.

I'M SO SORRY.. EVERYONE WANTED TO COME AND GREET YOU. .

WE'VE DONE OUR BEST TO PUT EVERYTHING IN ORDER...

BUT DURING THE SEIZURE SEVERAL THINGS WERE TAKEN FROM THE ESTATE, I'M AFRAID.

I SEE.

THAT MUST HAVE BEEN UPSETTING, FRANK.

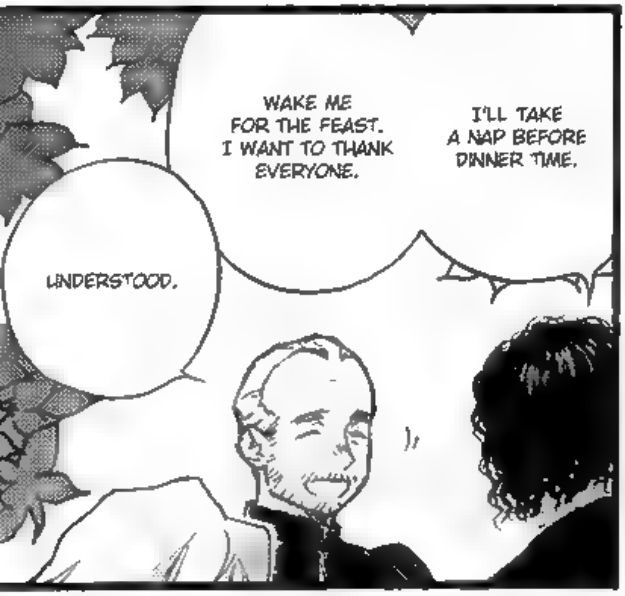
I APOLOGISE THAT IT HAPPENED, SIR.

I COOKED UP A STORM FOR THE FEAST!

Flustered
YOU REFUSED!?
NOW I'M MARRIED WITH CHILDREN, I COULDN'T POSSIBLY!
OH, PLEASE! MAYBE IF I WAS YOUNGER, BUT...

OH, MARTHA.
I HEARD THE QUEEN MOTHER OFFERED YOU A JOB ATTENDING TO HER.
AH... UH...!

I'M SURE HE'LL LOVE IT.
I OFFERED TO BRING SOME SNACKS TO THE PALACE FOR HIS MAJESTY...
OH, BUT IF LORD MONTAGUE DOESN'T MIND .
EHH
What a shame!


WAKE ME FOR THE FEAST. I WANT TO THANK EVERYONE.
I'LL TAKE A NAP BEFORE DINNER TIME.
UNDERSTOOD.

OF COURSE NOT.
YOU DON'T MIND, DO YOU, LORD MONTAGUE?

I HAD FRANK SET UP A ROOM FOR YOU.
YOU SHOULD REST, TOO.
CAN YOU MANAGE WITHOUT A CANE?

Offer
IT'S BEEN OVER FOUR MONTHS NOW, I CAN MANAGE...
TAKE MY HAND.
YOUR ROOM'S UPSTAIRS.

EH? IS THAT WHAT THAT EXPRESSION MEANS?
HE DOESN'T KNOW WHETHER TO ACT TOUGH OR PLAY UP HIS INJURY...
THANK GOODNESS... THEY'RE BACK TO NORMAL.
?
Touched

THERE'S A STEP HERE.
BE CAREFUL.
...

...
MNGH

Yawn
Uff
I need to get dressed
It's still light out Frank will probably come to wake me soon
I fell asleep as soon as I laid down

SHOCKED
!?

Zzz
Is he keeping watch?
You're tired, too
You're still recovering
You've become such a worrywart

Sigh...
Honestly
He's such a fool
Guess I'll rest a little longer
Should I just act like I didn't see anything?
CAPTAIN!!
LORD MONTAGUE...!

YOU WERE BADLY INJURED

BUT WE SHOULD HAVE COME TO HELP YOU...

YOU BEING ALIVE IS ENOUGH FOR ME.

I'M SO GLAD YOU'RE BOTH SAFE. .

THANK YOU FOR INVITING US!

Sob

I'M GLAD YOU'RE SAFE, TOO.

I'M TRULY SORRY FOR WHAT YOU WENT THROUGH.

N-NO, YOU'VE DONE SO MUCH FOR US.

I PROMISE TO REPAY THIS DEBT.

THE CORPS ARE WAITING IN THE INNER GARDEN.

He laughed

THEY'RE ALL EXCITED TO SEE YOU, CAPTAIN.

Cough

HEY!?

WE'LL BE WAITING!

PFFT.

I DON'T WANT TO LEAVE YOUR SIDE FOR A SINGLE MOMENT!!

JUST GET GOING ALREADY.

LOOKS LIKE YOUR BRAIN ROT'S GOTTEN WORSE.

Shoo

Ignore him.

Come on!

I DON'T MIND. GO ON.

NO...

BUT.

Noooo!

PULL OUT ALL THE ALCOHOL THE CORPS CAN DRINK...

IS THIS REALLY BRAIN ROT..?

Now, now. Let Lord Montague rest while he can. ^^

THANK YOU, SIR.

AND TELL THE SERVANTS TO ENJOY THEMSELVES TONIGHT.

HE'S ALWAYS BEEN LIKE THIS, THOUGH?

LOOKS LIKE I'LL FINALLY GET TO RELAX MYSELF.

I WANT EVERYONE TO BE ABLE TO RELAX TONIGHT.

GIVE EVERYONE TOMORROW OFF.

UNDERSTOOD. MR. PAUL AND I WILL BE HERE, JUST IN CASE...

WA
HA
HA!

CREAK...
...

ADAM.
!
Twitch

SORRY, I SAW THE LIGHT.
I WAS COMING TO TURN IT OFF...
I NAPPED SO MUCH THAT I'M WIDE AWAKE NOW

KEEPING GUARD HERE? A BIT OVERPROTECTIVE.
OR... REDUNDANT?
EH?
WELL YOU...

YOU TOOK A NAP OUTSIDE MY DOOR, RIGHT?
IF YOU'RE NOT TIRED, COME AND JOIN ME.
YOU SAW ME...
CLOSE

You're be ng far more protective than I am!
?
Took the adjoining room, back in the palace
And prepared a room for me at your own estate

More than that
There's been this strange sense of distance between us lately

Can't say it.
NO, IT'S NOTHING.
WE'LL JUST SAY THAT YOU'RE RIGHT!
NGH
WHAT'S THAT REACTION?

Relieved
THANK YOU.

HERE.

YES, EVERYONE HAD A LOT OF FUN.
I GAVE THE ONES HEADED FOR TOWN SOME FUNDING FOR THEIR CAMPAIGN.
IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN A RUCKUS, WE CAN HEAD TO TOWN OURSELVES...
NO, I'M GOOD

He's back to normal !
IS THE PARTY OVER?
Tea

I ENJOY JUST WATCHING.
I DON'T LIKE THAT.
?
YOU BEING ALL ALONE AND WATCHING FROM THE SIDELINES IS JUST TOO LONELY.
YOU SHOULD HAVE CALLED FOR ME INSTEAD.

AH.
...

I'M SORRY, I DIDN'T MEAN TO REPROACH YOU LIKE THAT...
YOU'RE RIGHT. I'LL DO THAT NEXT TIME.
OVER-PROTEC-TIVE
Oh no We were finally chatting normally aga n and I went and said something to chase h m off
...EH?
I SHOULD HAVE LET YOU INDULGE YOURSELF AND SPOIL ME.
I WAS WATCHING YOU THE WHOLE TIME ANYWAY...

...I'VE FALLEN FOR YOU.
IT'S HIGH TIME I ADMITTED IT.

!?
I thought he'd pounce on me
IS THIS REAL!? AM I AWAKE!?
I-I'M SORRY, I THOUGHT I'D STARTED DAYDREAMING.
EH!?
COULD YOU SAY SOMETHING?
YOU'RE NOT GOING TO MAKE ME SAY IT AGAIN, ARE YOU?
...?
SILENCE
Careful
SO YOU ASSUME I'LL RUN, HUH.
I'VE HAD TO HOLD MYSELF BACK SO OFTEN AND FOR SO LONG THAT I CAN'T TAKE ANY OF THIS IN.
HOW SHOULD I REACT SO YOU DON'T RUN AWAY!?
Sigh
I ONLY TELL YOU I LOVE YOU AFTER I ALMOST LOST YOU.
I'M A VERY SLY PERSON AT HEART.
NO, THAT'S NOT IT.
AH... NO.
I've learned how to stay
I DON'T NEED THAT KIND OF CONSIDERATION.

AHH... YOU'RE REALLY CUTE.
WHAT IF I WANT YOU TO USE ME!?
.. !?
Slump
RETHINK IT WHILE YOU CAN.
IF YOU ACCEPT ME I'M GOING TO USE YOU, YOU KNOW. .
IF I WAS REALLY YOUR FRIEND, I WOULD HAVE KEPT QUIET ABOUT MY FEELINGS.
NO!
I'M TELLING YOU, I WANT TO BE SOMEONE YOU RELY ON!
I'VE ALWAYS WANTED THAT!

YES!!

YOU'RE A STRANGE ONE...

YES!

OH...

REALLY...?

...

Sigh

AGH, WHY ARE YOU SO...

Shocked

...!?

WHUH!?
Reach
COME HERE
OKAY
I'M THE REASON YOU'RE LIKE THIS...
IS THIS A GOOD TIME TO HOLD YOU CLOSE AND COMFORT YOU...!?
WIGGLE WIGGLE
Wipe
!!
Hug
HAHHH. .
IT'S NO GOOD. I'M NOT CALMING DOWN AT ALL.
!?
Ruffle
HEY, ADAM...
GROW YOUR HAIR BACK OUT FOR ME?
...!

YES, ANYTHING.
WHATEVER YOU ASK, I'LL DO IT.
I KNOW.

THAT MAY BE MY GREATEST COMFORT IN THIS WORLD.
K...
JOEL ...!
!
K'ss
MM..
MM.
K'ss
I
HF.

RATTLE
HF.
NGH.
Hff
WOBBLE
Hff
Wheeze
pwah!
!
HAHH...!
PANT
WHEEZE
IDIOT! AFTER ALL WE LIVED THROUGH..
I THOUGHT I WAS GOING TO DIE...!
I...
SORRY, I GOT CARRIED AWAY.

I TRIED TO THROW THE CARD GAME..
SO YOU WOULD BEAT ME.
SO YOU MEAN.

DON'T GET ME WRONG.
YOU WERE GOING TO BE THE ONE BECOMING MY PLAYTHING...
BUDUMP
!
MAY I...
MAY I TOUCH YOU...?
BUDUMP
BUDUMP
BUDUMP
...!

YES...
BUDUMP
BUDUMP
IF THAT'S WHAT YOU WANT...
BDMP
BDMP
Twitch
JOEL. !

Shiver
JOEL...
AH...
WAIT...
Slide
WAIT.
ADAM...
MOVE TO THE BED...
Pant
EH...?

THEN FROM THE START, YOU...!?
WH-!?
...!!
BLUSH
I HEARD YOU KNOW... WHAT TO DO...
BLUSH
EVERYTHING WE NEED FOR MY FIRST TIME... IS THERE.
I-I THINK..

VERY REASSURING ...
LET'S MOVE TO THE BED!
AH. I GET IT.
Top Assistants
SHINE

CREAK...

JOEL...
Pant...

THIS IS LIKE A DREAM COME TRUE.
YOU, SUMMONING ME TO YOUR BED LIKE THIS.
YOU TALK LIKE I'M A BAD MASTER.
HM. I SUPPOSE I AM.
DON'T BE DISAPPOINTED.
I'M NOT SO IMPRESSIVE AS YOU THINK I AM.
!
ミィ

Jump
GULP
COVER
Nghk
A-ARE YOU DROOLING!?
tn: Not exactly what he says, but we're sticking with the 'giant golden labrador' aesthetic
I CAN'T HELP IT!
YOU'RE SO SLENDER, SO PALE...
LET ME SEE THOSE PEACHY NUBS ONE MORE TIME-
WAH! WAH!
I DON'T NEED YOUR PRAISE!
OR YOUR IMPRESSIONS!
JUST SHUT UP AND GET ON WITH IT!
Ehh
SO MANY ORDERS...
kiss
I MEAN ALL OF IT.
YOU'RE SO CUTE, JOEL... MY DARLING.
USING TORTURE...?

LET ME SEE YOU AGAIN, JOEL...
!
HEY. ..!?
YOU CAN'T ..
WAIT . !
Mphm
UWAH!
YOU IDIOT...!
SUUUUUCK

NH.
AH.
MN.
...MM.
Slurp
Flick
YOU MIGHT KILL ME FOR IT...
BUT I'M PLANNING ON DO EVEN MORE TO YOU...
Pant

PANT
PANT
I-I'M PREPARED FOR MY DEATH.
THERE'S NO WAY I CAN CONTROL MYSELF, FACED WITH YOUR NAKED BODY. .!
YOU ARE SO...

THROB
UUU...!

WELL, IT'S BETTER THAN YOUR DICK STAYING SOFT. .
OKAY, I'LL ACT, TOO.
CREAK
HAH!?

...

...
YOU CAN BE SO SURPRISING SOMETIMES...
I DON'T WANT TO LIE BACK AND THINK OF LORRAINE.
SHARE IN MY EMBARRASSMENT.

...!
Y-YES.
EEP
I WANT TO STROKE YOUR DICK WHILE I KISS YOU
IT WON'T LEAD ANYWHERE, BUT IT'LL DO SOMETHING FOR YOU, RIGHT?

AH
.....YOU'RE HUGE.
RUB
RUB
I'M REALLY AROUSED, SORRY.

UH...
Twitch
I knew he was a weirdly earnest person, but

UMF
Is th s going to ?
No, don't think about that right now
kiss
Ohh...
...
NO, JUST TICKLISH.
...!
Nuzzle
PFF.
?
I WANT TO TOUCH YOU, TOO.
I-IS IT BAD?
CAN I?
Y-YEAH.

MM.
ME, TOO
THIS REMINDS ME
OF WHEN WE PRACTICED KISSING ALL NIGHT LONG.

I REMEMBER FEELING..
JUST AS NERVOUS AND SCARED

BUT THERE'S ANOTHER FEELING ..
THAT I DIDN'T HAVE BACK THEN.

CREAK
NGAH!
Press
JOEL!
MF!
WAIT ..
SHOVE
!
JOEL...

CREAK
AHH
AH
CREAK
CREAK
CREAK
Pant
AHH
I WANT
I WANT
TO BE INSIDE
YOU
Blush
Jerk
AH ?
AH!
Jerk
Jerk

HAH...
YOU IDIOT. .!
JOEL
.!
Thrust
JOEL. !
I'M GOING TO...
Thrust
.!
SHAKE
HAHH!
NH.
Spurt!
SORRY, I GOT CARRIED AWAY..
HAHH.

ADAM...
—!
BUDUMP

YOU...
I WANT YOU, RIGHT NOW..!
SAY STOP, JOEL!
..!
Hff
Hff
DROWN, DROWN, YOU CAN HAVE ME, JUST..
KEEP CALM.
..!!
YOUR LOVE IS INCREDIBLE!?
Sniff
I'M NOT GOING TO RUN AWAY
...DON'T MAKE IT HURT.
I need a drink for this
Me too!
love?

Slurp
Schlup
No, I'm just a coward
...
TWITCH
Shake
E-ENOUGH...
I CAN'T TAKE IT..!
...!
So I could hide from what really scares me
I used the words 'fallen for'
ARE YOU SURE?
...
YES... I CAN'T THINK...
EVERYTHING'S SO...

RESCUE ME OR RUIN ME...
JUST DO SOMETHING!
...!
AH, I CAN'T..
...!
Likely you'll play the fool and forgive me for +

Thrust
Shove...
CREAK
CREAK

ARE YOU OKAY...?
WE CAN STOP..
Of course.
I'm not okay
NHN.
I'M GOOD
DON'T STOP.
HOLD ME...

AH!
AH!
I've seen
AH
HAH!
JOEL...!
A world without you
Myself!
with

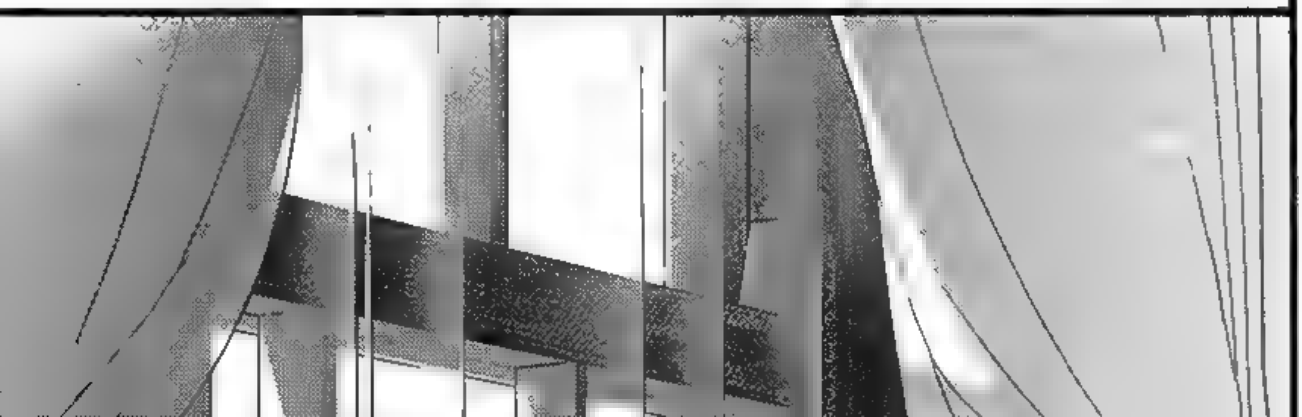
Dreadful, lonely
Empty, suffocating
And so terrifying
I couldn't bear it
ADAM...
ADAM...
MORE..

CREAK
AHH..
I DON'T KNOW I DON'T
Or do I want this pain as a kind of punishment?
Do I want to fill myself or you before you leave me
CREAK
CREAK
WHAT ?
IT FEELS..
SO GOOD
Pant
THERE MORE
!
OKAY, I WILL.

I'LL ONLY GIVE YOU GOOD THINGS.
ADAM...
YOUR HAND.
YES.
Thrust
I WON'T LET GO, JOEL.
MN...
My sentimental, too-kind man
SO PLEASE...

DON'T LOOK SO ANXIOUS...

I hope you'll stay by my side and keep forgiving me for my foolishness



THROB
THROB
Pant.
Pant.
My loved one s sleeping next to me
I'm so happy I can't even sleep!
He's so cuddly when he's sleep ng!
So cute!
I can't even move!

I'm happier than I even imagined!
Fu fu fu... fu fu fu fu
And so assertive and cooperative in bed!
I'm so glad to be alive!!

Just being with you
Is happ ness enough for me.
I really am
..

..MN..
Oh. Last night, we

Zzz...
Supposed to get up and start my day?
I really need an instruction book or something.
Le here and wait for him to wake up?

Am I

He really is a ridiculous creature

I never would have dreamed
That th s would ever be my life
How s this real? It must be a joke or scam

Reach

CLASP
...
MORNING, DARLING.
LAST NIGHT WAS AMAZING...
SO YOU DIDN'T SLEEP AT ALL?
I CHECKED IF YOU WERE REALLY HERE OVER AND OVER LAST NIGHT, BUT...
AHH.. IT WASN'T A DREAM.
REALLY? IMMEDIATELY AFTER WAKING UP?
YOU'RE SOMETHING ELSE...
FWUH?

HOW'S YOUR BODY?
A BIT ACHY, BUT BETTER THAN I THOUGHT I'D BE.
I WENT TOO HARD...
I'LL MAKE IT UP TO YOU TODAY.
TWITCH
..!
HEY, WAI-
MM.
Hahh
SHOVE
ADAM!
!?

?
I DON'T UNDERSTAND, BUT I'LL DO MY BEST.
WAS THAT NOT GOOD...?
SORRY, BUT TRY AND MATCH MY PACE FOR NOW.
IT'S GOING TO BE TOUGH KEEPING UP WITH YOU.
!?
TOO MUCH!!
I'M NOT USED TO THIS!
...TO PUT IT SIMPLY, I HAVE NO INTENTION OF REFUSING YOU.
YOU CAN HAVE ME ANYTIME YOU LIKE.
SIGH
!?
Wheeze

BUT! MY BODY'S WEAK IN A LOT OF WAYS!

...!

G-GOT IT. .!!

tn Like a dog when you put a treat on their nose and tell them to 'wait'lo

# Barbarities

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GOOD MORNING, JOEL!
MORNING. .
DIDN'T WE DO THIS A FEW MINUTES AGO?
AHH, I MADE IT IN TIME!
I LOVE WATCHING YOU GET READY FOR THE DAY.
WHAT POOR TASTE...
THOSE NEW CLOTHES FOR THE FESTIVAL REALLY LOOK GOOD ON YOU!

YOU'RE LOOKING EVEN FLASHIER TODAY
OH, I TOLD PAUL I'D WEAR MY NORMAL CLOTHES...
BUT HE INSISTED ON SOMETHING SPECIAL.
GOOD CHOICE. IT LOOKS GOOD.
IS IT NORMAL TO DRESS UP FOR TODAY, BACK IN XEHANA?
YEP. WE EVEN DECORATE OUR HOUSES AND STREETS FOR IT
SIGH
BUT I'VE NEVER LIKED THE FESTIVAL MUCH, MYSELF...
SO MUCH SO I USUALLY WENT TRAVELLING DURING IT.
REALLY? I'M SURPRISED.
I'M SAD, TOO.

Sad?

WELL, THINGS WILL QUIET DOWN ONCE THE FESTIVAL'S OVER.

YOU CAN TAKE A BIT OF A BREAK.

THAT'S CALLED WORKING, ADAM.

I DON'T HAVE THE TIME FOR TRAVELLING.

HOW COULD I REST WHILE MY MASTER IS STILL WORKING?

I'D MUCH RATHER REST WHILE MAKING SURE MY WORKAHOLIC MASTER IS SAFE!

Ah!

...

SUDDENLY I DON'T WANT TO RUN FROM THE FESTIVAL ANYMORE!?

Joel's the type to spoil his lover.

You're going to be working

BUT I COULD DO A SHORT TRIP.

IS THAT OKAY?

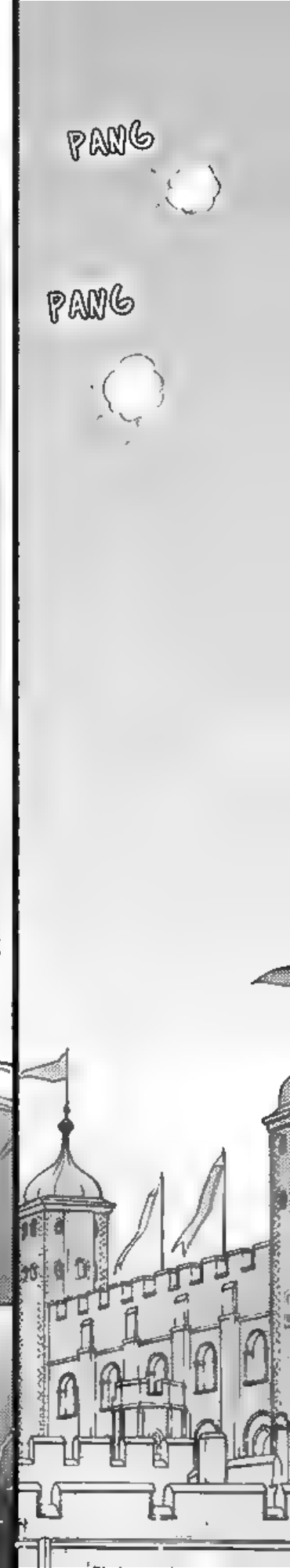
O-OF COURSE!

I'LL PUT IN A REQUEST.

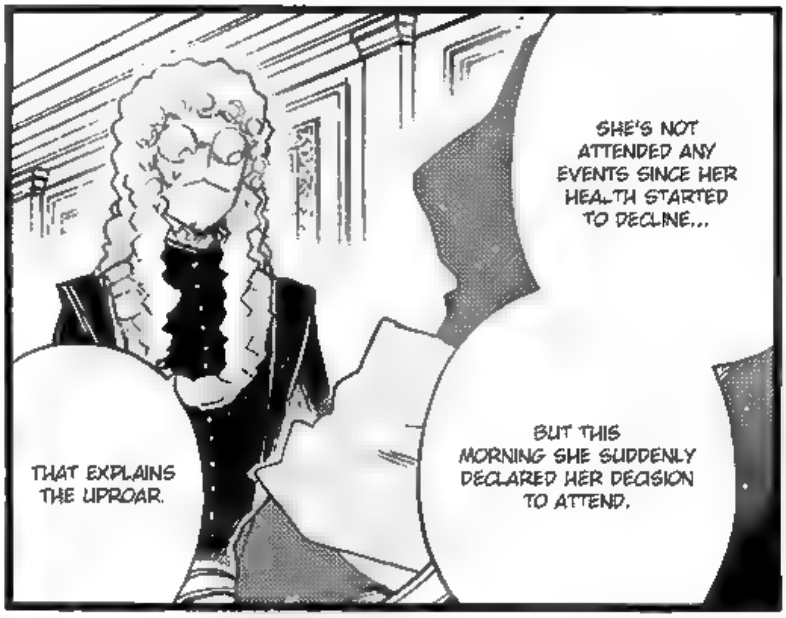
CONSIDER THIS MY FESTIVAL OF LIGHT GIFT TO YOU.

WHAT'S ALL THE EXCITEMENT?
THE CEREMONY ISN'T FOR HOURS YET
LORD MONTAGUE, THE QUEEN MOTHER DESIRES YOUR PRESENCE.
Chatter
Chatter

I'M SORRY FOR THIS. .
THE QUEEN OF XEHANA HAS CHANGED HER PLANS AND DECIDED SHE'S COMING TO INSPECT OUR PREPARATIONS.
Sigh.

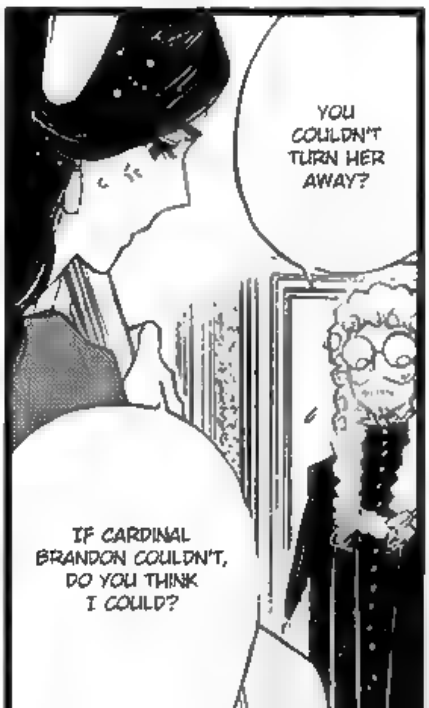

PANG
PANG

QUEEN IZABELLE IS INCREDIBLY CAPRICIOUS.
Huff
SHE USED TO BE SLIGHTLY MORE REASONABLE...
BUT SHE'S GOTTEN WORSE AS SHE'S AGED


SHE'S NOT ATTENDED ANY EVENTS SINCE HER HEALTH STARTED TO DECLINE...
THAT EXPLAINS THE UPROAR.
BUT THIS MORNING SHE SUDDENLY DECLARED HER DECISION TO ATTEND.

I TOLD HER THAT HER CHAIR SHOULD BE NEXT TO OUR KING'S TO SHOW SOLIDARITY...
BUT SHE SAID "NO, IT'LL TAKE TOO LONG!"
HO HO HO
Twist
SHE'LL USE THE AUDIENCE ROOM TO GREET EVERYONE...
WHICH IS HIGHLY IRREGULAR.

!?
I THOUGHT SO.
IT'S FINE... BUT IF YOU GET TIRED OF HIM, YOU MUST HAND HIM OVER TO ME.
WHICH REMINDS ME.
YOU AND ADAM HAVE RAPIDLY GROWN CLOSER RECENTLY, YES?


YOU COULDN'T TURN HER AWAY?
IF CARDINAL BRANDON COULDN'T, DO YOU THINK I COULD?

I HAVE A WARNING FOR YOU, SO LISTEN TO MY WORDS CAREFULLY.

YOU MUST BE VERY CAREFUL OF THAT WOMAN.

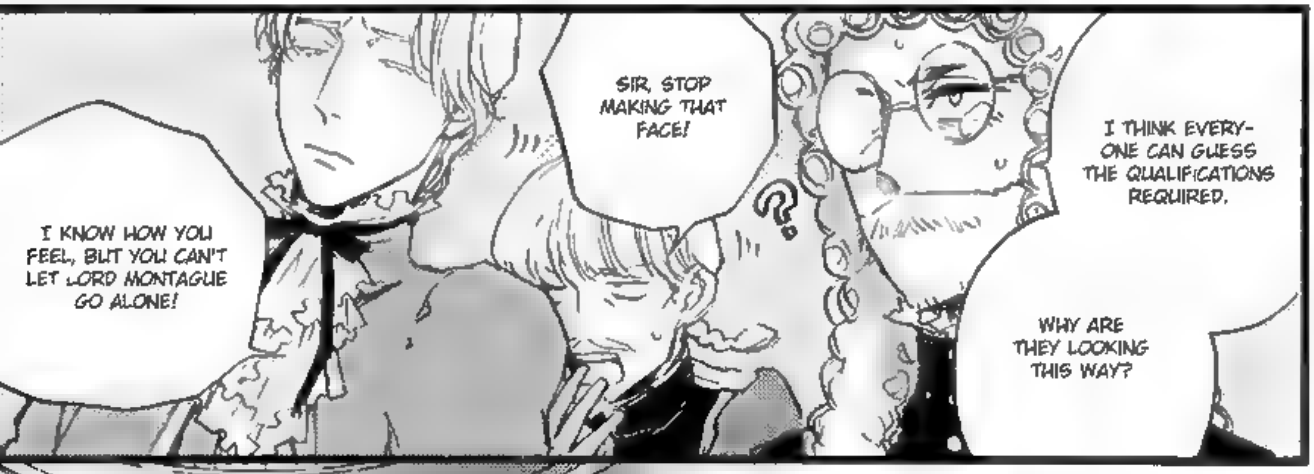
He's not a thing.

ONCE YOU MEET HER, YOU'LL REALISE WHY I HAD ADAM COME TO LORRAINE.

. ?

sparkle

Whisper
ALL YOUNG MEN WITH CERTAIN QUALIFICATIONS, GATHERED FROM THE NOBLE FAMILIES.
YOU DON'T KNOW, LORD MONTAGUE?
THEY'RE THE QUEEN'S ELITE GUARDS.
WHO ARE THEY?


I KNOW HOW YOU FEEL, BUT YOU CAN'T LET LORD MONTAGUE GO ALONE!
SIR, STOP MAKING THAT FACE!
I THINK EVERY-ONE CAN GUESS THE QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED.
WHY ARE THEY LOOKING THIS WAY?

OH!
PLEASE ENTER.
NEXT, LORD JUDICIARY MONTAGUE AND VISCOUNT CANNING.
CREAK

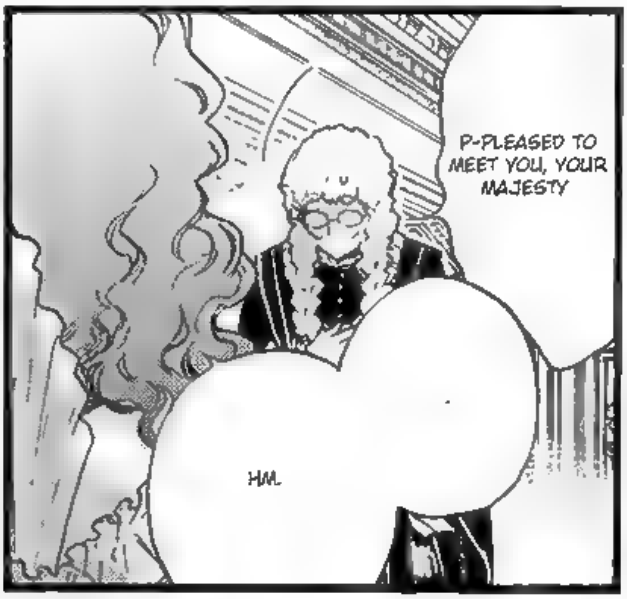
IT'S YOU, ADAM!
I'VE MISSED YOU SO MUCH.
I EVEN CAME ALL THE WAY TO THIS TINY COUNTRY JUST TO SEE YOU.
IT'S BEEN A WHILE...
MOTHER.

WHA!?
...
THIS IS MY MASTER, LORD MONTAGUE.
!?
WH-
I'M NOT IMPORTANT HERE, SO PLEASE GREET HIM PROPERLY
I AM NOT GOING BACK.
I HAVE MADE A HAPPY LIFE FOR MYSELF HERE IN LORRAINE.
WHEN ARE YOU COMING BACK TO XEHANA? THE CAPTAINCY OF MY GUARD IS OPEN AND READY FOR YOU. .
YOU LOOK JUST LIKE YOUR FATHER!
UFUFU... YOU CUT YOUR HAIR.

Worried
How
Strange.
I'VE BEEN SO LONELY...
Is this how family converses. ?

OH... INDEED, EVERY MOTHER CELEBRATES HER CHILD'S GROWTH, BUT I DO WORRY ABOUT YOU.
I'M BEING REWARDED VERY WELL, THANK YOU.
LORRAINE IS A COUNTRY OF PLENTY.
A COUNTRY THIS SMALL CANNOT REWARD YOU PROPERLY.

SO COME BACK HOME TO ME...
ADAM. ♡
I CLEARED AWAY ALL THOSE WHO WERE UNPLEASANT TO YOU, DARLING.
IT'S COMPLETELY SAFE?


P-PLEASED TO MEET YOU, YOUR MAJESTY
HM.

Shocked
THIS TALK IS INAPPROPRIATE.
THIS IS LORD MONTAGUE, WHOM I SERVE.
...!

ADAM, YOU REALLY ARE THE BEST.
WHILE I'M HERE, BRING YOUR ATTENDANT AND WE'LL TALK LIKE WE USED TO.
AHH, I'M TIRED I'LL REST UNTIL THE CEREMONY.
LATER, ADAM.

...
Exhausted...
WHAT WAS THAT...?
Sigh
COMING FROM YOU, THAT'S IMPRESSIVE ..
SHE'S NOT QUITE ALL THERE IN THE HEAD.

SO YOU'RE THE SON OF XEHANA'S QUEEN...

SUDDENLY A LOT OF THINGS MAKE SENSE.

OH. .

SHE WANTS YOU AND I TO VISIT HER WHILE SHE'S HERE.

I'M FINE. SHE'S NOT CHANGED AT ALL.

SIR! ARE YOU ALRIGHT?

HONESTLY. HER MEMORY IS AS SELECTIVE AS EVER.

I'M JUST SOME ILLEGITIMATE CHILD SHE BIRTHED.

SHE'S THE ONE WHO ABANDONED ME FOR IT.

YOU'VE SEEN HER HANDSOME COLLECTION OF PERSONAL GUARDS..

THEY'RE, AH... ALL...

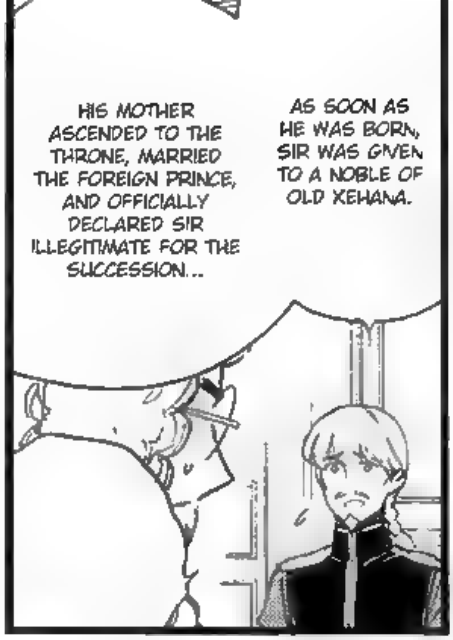
HALF-BROTHERS.

YOU WERE ACTING DIFFERENTLY.

IT WAS EXCESSIVE, BUT SHE DID SEEM WORRIED ABOUT YOU.

...

WHAT!?
SIR'S FATHER WAS A ROYAL GARDENER.
HE WAS INCREDIBLY HANDSOME, AND CAUGHT THE EYE OF EVERY YOUNG WOMAN AT COURT.
BUT ONE DAY HE FELL FROM A TREE AND DIED.
HIS LIFE WAS SHORT BUT HIS 'VITALITY' WAS IMPRESSIVE.
YOU MEAN...
IT CAME TO LIGHT AFTER HIS DEATH...
THAT HE'D IMPREGNATED AN IMPRESSIVE NUMBER OF NOBLE WOMEN.


HIS MOTHER ASCENDED TO THE THRONE, MARRIED THE FOREIGN PRINCE, AND OFFICIALLY DECLARED SIR ILLEGITIMATE FOR THE SUCCESSION...
AS SOON AS HE WAS BORN, SIR WAS GIVEN TO A NOBLE OF OLD XEHANA.

THE PREVIOUS QUEEN HAD JUST PASSED AND MOTHER WAS JUST ABOUT TO MARRY AND ASCEND TO THE THRONE.
MY MOTHER BEING ONE OF THEM.
SO THEY DECLARED HIM HER HUSBAND POSTHUMOUSLY.
IT WAS A MASSIVE SCANDAL, SO EVERYONE IMPLICITLY KNEW WHO MY FATHER WAS.

SHE STARTED COLLECTING HIS SONS AND KEEPING THEM LIKE LOVERS...
INCLUDING ME.
BUT I THINK SOMETHING MOVED INSIDE HER WHEN SHE SAW ME AT COURT AS A YOUNG MAN.
SHE GAVE ME MONEY AND A TITLE, THEN COMPLETELY ABANDONED ME.
IT'S LIKE SHE'S GATHERING UP WHAT REMAINS OF HIM.
I DIDN'T WANT YOU KNOWING ABOUT THIS DISTURBING SUBJECT.
I'M SORRY.
.....

...!

AND SOMEHOW BECAME VIEWED AS A CAD WHO SEDUCED THE QUEEN...

WHILE I WAS SEEN AS TRUSTWORTHY, AND ENTRUSTED WITH SIR'S CARE FROM AGE 11...

LIZT IS ALSO SOMEONE WHO DISAGREES WITH HER ECCENTRICITIES.

HE TOOK OVER THE PALACE GUARD CAPTAINCY AFTER I LEFT, BUT HAD TO FLEE THE COUNTRY WHEN HE OBJECTED TO HER FORMING THAT BEAUTY SQUAD.

DO YOU WANT TO SEE HER, PAUL?

Shake Shake

I DON'T HATE MY PARENTS, BUT I HAVE NO LOVE FOR MY PITIFUL MOTHER.

IT'S VERY SAD.

THE FESTIVAL OF LIGHT CELEBRATES XEHANA'S QUEEN AS AN AVATAR OF THE GODDESS.

THAT'S WHY I DON'T LIKE IT.

Looks like yet another troublesome person's popped out of the woodwork.

If you go, you'll probably be deported back to Xenana.

worst case, I'll be executed

'You must be very careful of that woman.'

I see

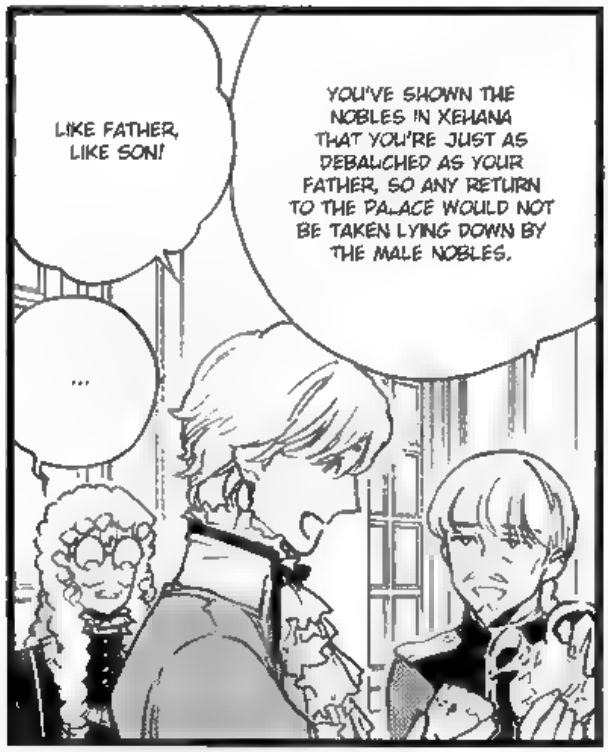
Th s is what the Queen Mother meant

She brought him here for h s own safety

Hah?
I REFUSE.
QUICK ANSWER...
THEN FOR OUR OWN SAFETY, MAYBE WE SHOULD MOVE OUT OF MY MANSION?

EVEN THE QUEEN MOTHER KNOWS ABOUT US...
BECAUSE I TOLD HER!
YOU...
THEN WE SHOULD AT LEAST PRETEND WE'RE NOT TOGETHER-
IMPOSSIBLE.

THEN LET'S RUN AWAY AND GET MARRIED!
ARE YOU LISTENING TO ME?
I'M TRYING TO EXPLAIN THAT SOONER OR LATER YOUR MOTHER WILL FIND OUT ABOUT US.


LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON!
YOU'VE SHOWN THE NOBLES IN XEHANA THAT YOU'RE JUST AS DEBAUCHED AS YOUR FATHER, SO ANY RETURN TO THE PALACE WOULD NOT BE TAKEN LYING DOWN BY THE MALE NOBLES.
...

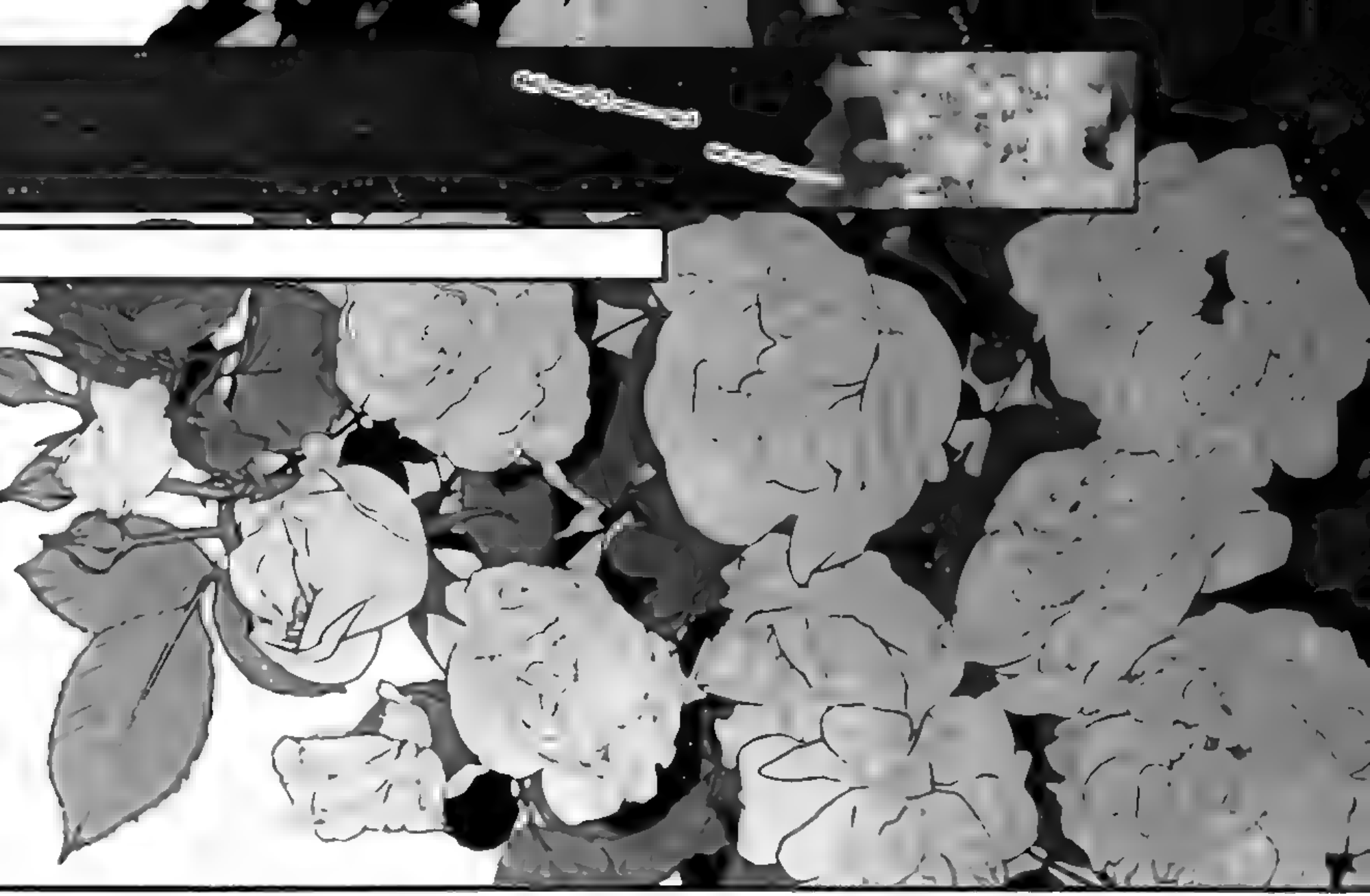
SHE CAN ASK ALL SHE LIKES, BUT OFFICIALLY HER HANDS ARE PRETTY FIRMLY TIED.
DON'T WORRY. SHE HAS A HUSBAND AND SON BACK IN XEHANA.

I-I SEE!
phew
I take all precautions
DON'T WORRY. THANKS TO SIR'S FATHER, CONTRACEPTIVES HAVE BECOME POPULARISED IN XEHANA'S PALACE. YOU CAN REST EASY.
YOU CAN MAKE THEM FROM COW'S INTESTINES, APPARENTLY.
Very useful.

DON'T MIND ME.
NOT OUTSIDE THE MANSION!
OR IN FRONT OF PEOPLE!!
ANYWAY, WE SHOULD BE JUST FINE!
I SHOULD START PREPARING FOR THE CEREMONY.

I DON'T CARE ABOUT SOME STUPID FESTIVAL!
I KNOW HOW YOU FEEL, BUT GET BACK TO WORK!

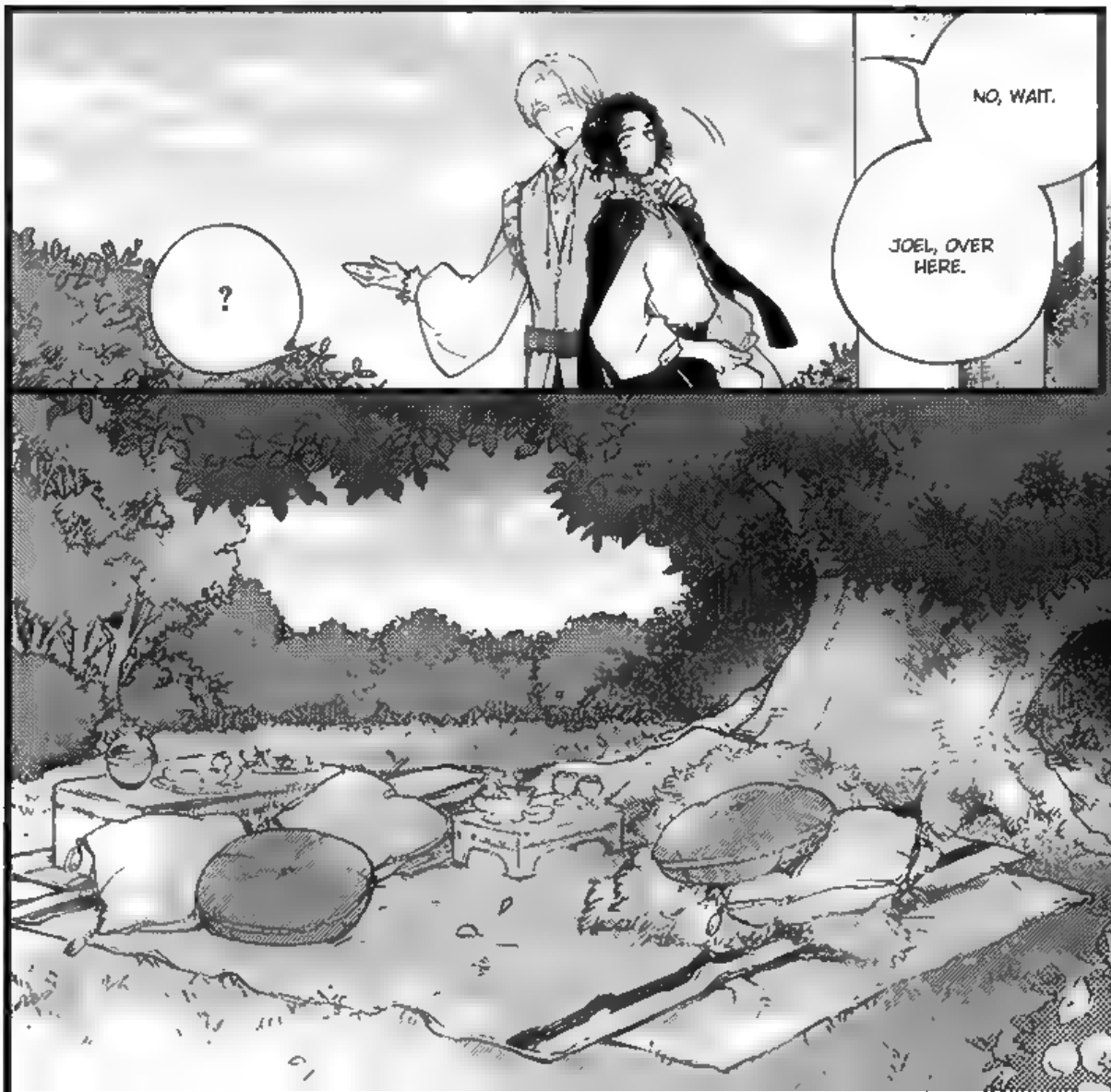
GO!
NG
RIGO
NG



BEAUTIFUL.
AREN'T THEY? I CAN PUT SOME IN YOUR ROOM IF YOU LIKE.
I WAS TALKING ABOUT YOU, JOEL!
...
I'D RATHER YOU COMPLIMENT THE BLOOMS OF MY LABOURS.
SIGH
LUNCH IS READY.
BUT YOU'RE THE ONLY BLOOM I SEE HERE.

Come on..
ALL THE YOUNG HERETICS QUIETENED DOWN, AS EXPECTED.
HOLIDAYS AND FESTIVALS SEEM TO WORK BEST FOR THAT
IT'S A DAY OFF, STOP TALKING ABOUT WORK.
PERHAPS WE SHOULD CELEBRATE LORRAINE'S INDEPENDENCE NEXT, THE TOURISM ALONE.
Mutter

THE FESTIVAL WAS BEAUTIFUL, TOO.
WHEN NIGHT FELL, THE WHOLE TOWN GLOWED.
YEAH, IT WAS A HUGE SUCCESS.


?
NO, WAIT.
JOEL, OVER HERE.

THAT'S RIGHT, WE MADE A PROMISE.
IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE THEN.
SIT, SIT. MARTHA MADE US A PIE.
OH!
WHHH SHHH
...

A PERFECTLY PEACEFUL BREAK.
YEAH. NICE AND QUIET.

ALL THE FOREIGN ROYALS HAVE GONE HOME.
AND THE THREATENING LETTERS HAVE STOPPED
I CAN FINALLY FOCUS ON MY COUNTRY FOR A WHILE.
...

I WAS GOING TO RETURN TO OLD XEHANA ONCE THE LETTER SENDER HAD BEEN DEALT WITH. .
PUT DOWN SOME ROOTS IN THAT BEAUTIFUL ..AND AND SUPPORT THE PEOPLE THE BEST I COULD.
BUT THEN I FELL IN LOVE WITH YOU.

CAN I...
CONTINUE TO STAY BY YOUR SIDE?
YOU ASK THAT NOW?

AFTER EVERYTHING...
YOU'D BETTER NOT TALK OF LEAVING ME!
AHH... JOEL!
HONESTLY...

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But for ease and safety, it's been kept a secret from most people
That is, Montague and Joel, are the same person.
A small, select group of people know that I and my nephew ..
and more
I WIN.
SLIDE
THANK YOU.
I'LL SEND SOMEONE OVER TO YOUR ESTATES TO COLLECT THE REST LATER.
ARG HHH HH...

PLEASE NO!!
SO, SHALL WE START ANOTHER ROUND?
Wah
OH, THAT'S A SHAME.

I THOUGHT YOU WERE HERE TO CELEBRATE MY BEING FOUND INNOCENT!?
I DON'T BELIEVE YOU, JOEL!
I DID, LADY MCTODD.

'THAT'
WHOA, STOP! HE'S LOVERS WITH THAT ..
YOU'RE CHEATING! YOU HAVE TO BE!
IS HE TALKING ABOUT ME?
YOU'RE LATE, ADAM.
Flutter

THEN I'LL SEE YOU ALL NEXT TIME.
THEY HAVE SOME RARE WINES OVER THIS WAY.
Next time..?
DID YOU WIN?
NATURALLY.
WHAT, THE FAMOUS ONE. !?
V-VISCOUNT CANNING!
Really?
I'M ALWAYS SURPRISED BY HOW BOLD YOU ARE.
GETTING LADY MCTODD ACQUITTED LIKE THAT.
IT'S A GOOD CARD TO HAVE IN MY HAND.
I DON'T WANT HER TO FORGET HER DEBT TO ME JUST BECAUSE SHE'S NO LONGER BEHIND BARS...
This is heavy. I'll carry it.
SO OCCASIONALLY I REMIND THEM.
EVEN SO, YOU DON'T NEED TO DO IT PERSONALLY...
HONESTLY...
Though I think being Lord Montague's nephew is more than enough protection for me, personally...
Adam's taken up the position of Captain of the Guard.

BUT I DO LOVE THAT ABOUT YOU!

Mmm

※ Used to it

YES, YES. LET'S GET GOING.

OH, VISCOUNT CANNING!

YES, PLEASE.

WE HAVE SOME XEHANAN WINE. WOULD YOU LIKE SOME?

LORD JOEL, PLEASE! COME AND JOIN US!

WE APPRECIATE THE OFFER, BUT NO THANK YOU.

COME ALONG, ADAM.

OH...? RIGHT.

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN THOSE TWO OUT TOGETHER.

ARE THEY REALLY LOVERS?

WELL, I HEARD THEY BOTH WENT INTO A BEDROOM WITH LADY MCTODD.

Swish
I THOUGHT WE WERE HERE TO FIGURE OUT WHO MCTODD SOLD HIS ESTATE TO?
WOULDN'T IT HAVE BEEN EASIER TO SPEAK TO THE LADIES..?
Don't tell the madam!
I WONDER IF THEY MIGHT PICK US?
Kyaahh
I'M SO JEALOUS!
HO HO HO!
THIS SHOULD BE THE PLACE. REMEMBER?
!

OF COURSE I REMEMBER. THIS IS WHERE WE PRACTISED YOUR KISSING.
YEAH, IT REMINDS ME OF THE DAY WE MET.
SHOULD WE CONTINUE WHAT WE STARTED?
HOW RARE OF YOU TO SUGGEST SUCH THINGS OUTSIDE OF OUR HOME...
...MM.

THESE CLOTHES ARE HARD TO GET OFF. .
MAYBE JUST THE PANTS.
EH?
!?
IT'S A TIGHT FIT, BUT WE CAN MANAGE IT.
JO-
JOE-
SHH! SHH!
Mph
SLIDE

NOD
NOD
NOD
YOUR REACTION'S BETTER THAN I EXPECTED.
...SO I TAKE IT YOU'RE HAPPY?

YOU REALLY NEVER CEASE TO SURPRISE ME!
Good, good. Keep quiet.
ALTHOUGH NOW I'VE BECOME A FOOL WHO BOUGHT AN ESTATE FOR THE MEMORIES OF IT.
IT'S A GREAT LOCATION FOR GATHERING INFORMATION.
I'LL GIVE YOU A REWARD FOR GROWING YOUR HAIR BACK OUT FOR ME.
IT WAS WORTH RELEASING LADY MCTODD TO MANAGE THIS ESTATE, THEN.
WAIT... ARE YOU THE BUYER!?

and more / END

This is the final volume of Barbarities. Thank you so much. whoo! Whoooo!

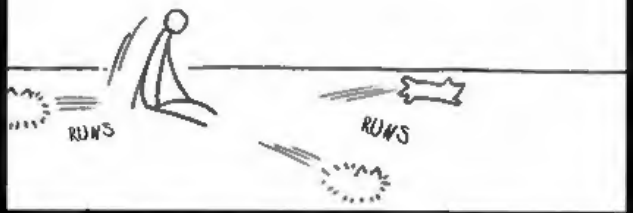
Hello, everyone. I'm Suzuki Tsuta.

See? History rolls on...

The red carpet I roll out for myself has gotten even bigger.

I'm sure you've noticed...

It actually reached four volumes. What did you think?




It probably didn't even make a blip in the rest of the world.

Since this tale was of a small country's internal conflict...

It's the kind of country with very high craftsmanship.

Lorraine is a very small country in this universe.

I'm so glad Sir came to Lorraine.

NO. WAY. I'M NOT GOING BACK. EVER.

Maybe Adam could be dragged into a battle for the throne of Xehana by an anti-queen faction...? A crown he doesn't want, a sister he's never met, the shadow of his mother looming...

?

They've become so close.

Maybe Luka could be given to another royal family as a hostage, falling into the control of a king famous for his cunning and lustful urges!?

?

SHUT UP! I WOULD NEVER DO SUCH A THING TO MY PRECIOUS LITTLE BROTHER!

Let the old perverts bang each other!

...And so, it was a small story but thanks to that we probably managed to avoid several Bad Ends.

Until next time!

It was hard work, but I really enjoyed it!

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